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UNITED NATIONS CONDEMNS ANTISEMITISM

104 Canadians Settled In Israel

MONTREAL, (CJN). — The Aliyah Department of the United Zionist Council disclosed that 104 Canadians went to Israel during 1960. These included scientists, technologists, skilled artisans, chalutzim, and retired persons. Considerable interest has been shown by retired persons in aliyah now that the Government permits the old age pension to be paid outside Canada. The office notes that of the 140 persons who went, a large number were in the professional or skilled category, or were small investors. In a number of cases, parents and even grandparents, went on aliyah in order to join their children who are now happily settled in the country.

Canadians are in great demand in Israel, especially those in the professional or skilled categories. Kibbutzim are in many cases prepared to take families even if the breadwinner is not skilled.

The Jewish Agency has now extended the scope of its assistance to immigrants, such assistance including ulpanim (free language schools), transportation loans, shipping loans, and mortgages for housing, etc. The offices at 2025 University St., Montreal, and at 651 Spadina Ave., Toronto, are able to give prospective immigrants every possible assistance, free of charge and in complete confidence.

There are now some 1,600 Canadian immigrants in Israel who are making a positive contribution to the development of the country in almost every sphere of activity. They are greatly assisted by the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel, which helps to integrate newcomers into the country and keeps them in touch with their fellow Canadians.

BID TO RESTORE SANHEDRIN

JERUSALEM, (JCNS) — Mr. Moshe Kol (Progressive) has given notice in the Knesset that he will introduce a Private Members Bill for the restoration of the Sanhedrin.

Mr. Kol complained that the Israeli Chief Rabbis had not done enough to enable Halakha to cope with problems created by statehood.

He was speaking on the Bill postponing the Chief Rabbinate elections for ten months which was passed with only Achdut Avoda opposing.

The debate revealed gaps in the agreement between Mapai and the National-Religious Party, which had led to general acceptance of the postponement. A Mapai spokesman, Mr. Israel Yeshayahu, declared that he saw no real need for the Bill but bowed to the National Religious Party's strong feelings on the subject.

Postponing the elections was "irrational and arbitrary", he said, and the party was deliberately creating confusion and havoc.

Replying, Mr. B. Chahor, of the National Religious Party, gave a list of "machinations and conspiracies" carried out by Mapai, he declared, in a bid to predetermine the election result.

ISRAEL'S POPULATION 2,150,412

JERUSALEM, (JCNS) — Israel's population at the end of 1960 totalled 2,150,412, of which 1,911,272 are Jews.

The general increase during the year was 61,727, as compared to 57,013. in 1959. The increase during 1960 as regards to the Jewish population, was 52,436, of which 35,157 were due to natural increase and 17,279 to net immigration.

The natural increase among non-Jews was 9,334 and net emigration 34.

Commentary • By M. J. Nurenberger

TOYNBEE INSULTS HISTORY

"....What is the meaning of history for the soul?...."
(Toynbee in "Civilization on Trial".)

It is fortunate for the world that, with the exception of old Julius Caesar historians merely WRITE history. For where, indeed, would we be if a great historian, a profound philosopher of history such as Dr. Toynbee made history instead of interpreted it?

Many are profoundly shocked by the statement Dr. Toynbee made in Montreal. Addressing a Jewish forum at the Hillel Students' House, the British historian stated:

"....The killing of Arab civilians by Israeli forces during the 1948 Palestine war (can be) compared in moral quality with what the Germans did."

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Though this statement both shocks and disturbs me, I cannot understand why Dr. Yaacov Herzog, the Israeli Ambassador, took the trouble to debate with one so revoltingly biased. Dr. Herzog requested the debate after reading Dr. Toynbee's first remark wherein the British scholar dared compare Israelis to Nazis. There are people with whom it is futile to argue. Dr. Toynbee is outstanding among them. For it is obvious that he is not objective. In fact, a strong suspicion is evident: in whose behalf does he destroy history?

Toynbee knows it is an insult to one's heart and mind to compare the Jews who were forced to escape Destination = Auschwitz with the most perverted maniacs. In fact semantics has as yet to discover or coin a word which would describe the "moral quality of what the Germans did."

Dr. Toynbee overlooked one minor detail: while the Nazis mobilized the Germans for world conquest and destruction of human life, the Zionists organized Jews to rebuild a desolate country and to live peacefully with their neighbours. The Jews of Palestine NEVER declared war on the Arabs. It was the ARAB NATIONS who invaded the State of Israel.

Next to Hebrew, Arabic is one of the two official languages in Israel. The Israelis created Arabic schools for the Arab minority. Is there one sane person in the world who can accept Toynbee's parallel between Hitler's blood-thirsty wars and the Jewish effort to rebuild Palestine? What was, then, the purpose behind Dr. Herzog's decision to debate with Dr. Toynbee after such comparison?

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The Rabbis of the Talmud tell us that the biblical Balaam was greater than Moses. They stressed the fact that Balaam, who wrote the most glorious pages in the Bible about Jews — "how beautiful are thy tents, O Jacob" — has no share in the world to come. Such is the statement of the Talmud in the tractate Sanhedrin. One commentator explained thus: because Balaam, knowing the truth about Israel and being capable of composing the most sublime verses ever to be written in recorded history concerning Jews, sold himself to Balak. What does Balaam Toynbee want with his subservience to the Balaks of the Near East? Does he believe, for one moment, that any normal human mind is capable of visualizing the fantastic mirage of Jews capable of killing like Nazis?

TORONTONIANS CONFER ON AID

(L to R) ALEX GROSSMAN, CHARLES H. JORDAN, MAX TANENBAUM.

JDC LEADER IN TORONTO SAYS FUTURE FOR JEWS IN NORTH-AFRICA NOT SETTLED

TANENBAUM ANNOUNCES RECORD UJA INCREASE

(By CJN Staff Reporter)

The 1961 United Jewish Appeal campaign gained momentum last week with the first official meeting of the campaign leadership. Campaign chairman Max Tanenbaum thanked the leadership for the tremendous support in setting a record 30 per cent increase over last year on advance gifts. He added, "This increase sets the pace for giving that we as leaders in the campaign must strive to maintain".

PROUD OF LEADERSHIP

Advance Gifts co-chairmen John D. Fienberg, Alvin B. Rosenberg, Q.C., and Samuel J. Sable were especially commended for their dynamic leadership in the initial stages of the campaign. Mr. Tanenbaum said their work was primarily responsible for the excellent results. He stated further, "The general response made by workers in this campaign is so filled with energy and enthusiasm that we are certain to have the most successful results in our history. I am thrilled and proud to play a part in it".

SINGLES OUT CAMPAIGNERS

Mr. Tanenbaum then singled out a number of early starters for special mention. The Foods and Services Division under the guidance of Art Hershoran, Marvin J. (Bud) Rothschild, Ben Winbaum and Ray Wolfe, is off to a racing start with very encouraging results. Harry Frank, Metropolitan — chairman, has "moved into the campaign office" and the devotion and organizing talent he has shown guarantees a first rate job in this Division.

EXCELLENT RESULTS

Ben Axmith, Bert Godfrey, Louis L. Lockshin, Samuel J. Granatstein, Harry Mitz, H. Wayne Tanenbaum and Ben Wortsman in the Heavy Industry Division; Barry Caplan, Ralph Fisher, Max Nisker and Bernard Kurtz with the Accountants and Brokers, have been using the "snowballing" technique with wonderful results.

Mr. Tanenbaum gave very special thanks to the co-chairmen of the Women's Division, Mrs. Samuel Z. Donnenfield and Mrs. Alvin B. Rosenberg, for their outstanding work. He again stressed the need for fund raising in Toronto to keep pace with the rapidly expanding Jewish community so that community services can be maintained and improved and so that Jews suffering in Europe and North Africa might be helped.

In his address to the leadership Meeting of the United Jewish Appeal in Toronto, Charles H. Jordan, Director General of the Joint Distribution Committee, in charge of European, North African and Asian operations, spoke of the plight of North African Jews.

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NEW SYNAGOGUE IN SPAIN?

PALMA, (JCNS) Miss Elisheba Yemin-Oz, who was recently converted to Judaism, has applied to General Franco for permission to establish a synagogue.

He replied stating that he had forwarded her petiton to the appropriate Ministry for consideration.

NEW RELIGIOUS FEUD

RABBIS COMPLAIN ABOUT POST-MORTEM

Jerusalem, (JCNS) There have been complaints from religious circles that Israeli doctors are "scalpel-happy" and dissect corpses without a good medical reason, thus, disrespecting both the families' wishes and the precepts of the Torah. Particular hostility has been caused in the Orthodox community by a post-mortem which was carried out recently on a leading Sephardi rabbi, the brother of Rabbi Nissim.

Following reports about "obscurantist clerics" who wish to prevent the progress of medical science, the Hadassah Medical Organization has been holding meetings with prominent rabbis. The purpose of their talks is to define more clearly the law which permits doctors to carry out post mortems when the interests of public health are involved.

The Hadassah representatives have stressed that post mortems are an invaluable asset, particularly in a teaching hospital. They pointed out that the one carried out on Rabbi Nissim's brother revealed the cause of an illness which had puzzled doctors for 15 years.

Pending further talks the Hadassah representatives have promised — as far as possible — to prevent post-mortems being carried out against the wishes of the family of the deceased.

ALL IS READY FOR THE TRIAL OF THE MONSTER EICHMANN

DR. SERVATIUS BACK IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV (JCNS) — Dr. Robert Servatius, who arrived in Israel from Cologne together with an assistant and a secretary, is meeting the Israeli Attorney General Mr. Gideon Hausner to discuss with him the ways of meeting Eichmann in private.

Dr. Servatius told correspondents that on this question he was not ready to compromise, and if the solution does not satisfy him, he will press for a better one.

Mr. Hausner is supposed to hand Dr. Servatius today notification of the charges — but not th charge sheet — and immediately afterwards the text will be published.

Dr. Servatius will also receive his official accreditation as Eichmann's counsel. He said he will now remain in Israel until the opening of the trial on March 15.

Explaining his claim against the German Government to cove- his expenses, he stated that if he wins the case he will refund the Israeli Government the $20,000 allocated to him, as 'the Germans and not the Israelis should pay this amount."

The Knesset finally approved the amendments according to which the court which will try Eichmann will be presided over by a Supreme Court Justice.

Charge Sheet Presented

EICHMANN TO BE TRIED ON 15 COUNTS

Tel Aviv, (JCNS) Adolf Eichmann was officially accused of executing crimes against the Jewish people, crimes against humanity, of war crimes and of being a member of hostile Nazi organisations.

The accusations, which form 15 counts, were included in the list of charges which was handed yesterday to Dr. Robert Servatius by the Israeli Attorney General Mr. Gideon Hausner during a meeting which lasted one hour. The charge sheet will be communicated to Eichmann by his counsel when Dr. Servatius meets his client privately today at his place of detention.

A list of 39 prosecuting witnesses, was also published. The most famous among them, is Mr. Joel Brand, the Hungarian Jewish leader who during the Nazi occupation of Hungary, on several occasions, met Eichmann and discussed with him the possibility of rescuing Hungarian Jews in exchange for the delivery of British trucks and coffee, a proposition which was turned down by the Allies.

Crimes against humanity, against the Jewish people, and war crimes, carry the maximum penalty of sentence of death. Belonging to a Nazi organisation carries a maximum of seven years imprisonment.

In the first count — crimes against the Jewish people — Eichmann is accused of having, with others, caused millions of Jews to be killed in extermination camps, established and organised by "Einsatzgruppen" for

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MANHUNT AT YESHIVA UNIVERSITY

NEW YORK, (CJN) — The response to Yeshiva University's recent public appeal for information leading to discovery of the institution's oldest living alumnus has been quick and varied. The University, born as Yeshiva Eitz Chaim in 1886 and planning its 75th anniversary celebration for 1961-62, had started with names of three early students.

It now has six.

Shortly after the appeal was sounded, Solomon Green suggested it might be his brother, H. L. Green, 77, of Los Gatos, California. Julius Yavarskovsky volunteered his father, Joseph, 75, of New York City. And Mason Padgug, 71, of New York City, called to say, "it might be me." All attended Yeshiva Eitz Chaim before the turn of the century.

University officials continue to seek names of as many old "alumni" as possible. If you know of any early students of Yeshiva Eitz Chaim, please contact Som Hartstein, Director of Public Relations, Yeshiva University, New York 33, N.Y.

RUSSIAN JEWS PUBLISH LETTER DENYING BIAS

United Nations, N. Y. (JCNS) A resolution condemning "manifestation of antisemitism and other forms of racial prejudice and religious intolerance of similar nature", was unanimously adopted by the 14-member U.N. Sub-commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, here.

The resolution was adopted after a week's debate during which Jewish organisations condemned antisemitism all over the world, including the USSR. And for the first time in United Nation, history, the Soviet Union placed itself in a defensive position on this question.

SOVIET DELEGATE ANGRY

After being severely criticised for days by leading Jewish organisations on the suppression of Jewish rights in the Soviet Union, a Soviet delegate, openly irked and angry, made an effort to answer some of the charges.

These charges were first made a formal report to the Sub-commission and partly supplemented before it by Mr. Label Katz, National President of B'nai B'rith.

Mr. Katz was interrupted by the Chairman of the Sub-commission Mr. Jose Ingles, of the Philippines, because the Soviet delegate, Mr. Valentyn I Sapozhnikov, had already complained that an earlier Jewish speaker, Dr. Isaac Lewin, of the Agudas Israel World Organisation, was maligning his Government.

Alerted by Mr Sapozhnikov's earlier attack against Dr. Lewin, Mr. Ingles halted Mr. Katz's statement on antisemitism in the Soviet Union. The chairman was supported by Professor Richard Hiscooks, of Britain, by Mr. Sapozhnikov, and Enrique Rodriguez-Fabregat, of Uruguay.

CITES SOVIET PAMPHLET

Mr. Katz was ordered to discontinue reciting further facts about antisemitism in the Soviet Union on the grounds that such a report had already been filed by the Co-ordinating Board of Jewish Organisations.

During that incident, the B'nai B'rith leader said an organisation of Soviet Russians, calling themselves the "Beat the Jews Committee," distributed a pamphlet, which in part stated: "Throw the Jews out of commerce for they damage socialist property and the people's wealth."

He called upon the Sub-commission not to wipe off its agenda item dealing with "Manifestations of Antisemitism" and urged that the group request Governments to submit regular reports to the Secretary-General of the United Nations "concerning both the manifestations of antisemitism and the remedial action taken toward reducing it."

PROTEST "SLANDER"

After various Jewish and non-Jewish organisation had addressed the Sub-commission, all of them urging that the U.N. body must not drop its concern with antisemitic manifestations, Mr. Sapozhnikov took the floor again to answer what he called "these provocative so-called documents" which complained that antisemitism existed in the Soviet Union.

Citing constitutional provisions in the Soviet Union which guarantee freedom "for all peoples regardless of race" make 'manifestations of racial and religious hatred" punishable by law, Mr. Sapozhnikov said: "Jews, like all other nationalities, enjoy all political, social, and cultural rights in the Soviet Union, just as all other nationalities enjoy these rights." It was noted he did not mention religious rights enjoyed by Soviet Jews.

EVADES ANSWER

Continuing his attack on "these slanderous statements by some Jewish organisations," Mr. Sapozhnikov said: "in the Supreme Soviet there are representatives of many nationalities, including Jews. Among the Soviet scientists who created the Soviet rockets, Jews are included. These slanderous statements speak of Jews in education. In the Russian Soviet Federal Republic, 0.07 per cent are Jews, but among students in higher education 4.1 per cent are Jews.

The Soviet delegate, however, evaded an answer to the charges that Jewish cultural life is being suppressed in the Soviet Union and that Soviet newspapers are indulging in vast anti-Jewish propaganda, two of the main accusations levelled by the Jewish organisations against Moscow.

"OPEN LETTER" FROM RUSSIAN JEWS

New York, (JCNS) A group of Jewish leaders, including a deputy of the Supreme Soviet of Dagestan, have just written an "open letter" to the Press claiming that the Jewish population in the autonomous republic of Dagestan and especially those living in the mountains, enjoy full "equality" and experience no discrimination of any kind.

The letter, which was obviously prompted by the reports published in THE JEWISH CHRONICLE and The Canadian Jewish News on the revival of "blood libel accusations" by a Dagestan paper, was sent primarily to the "New York Herald Tribune," which also carried the original report.

The open letter is signed by six local Jews. They admit that there has been "a mistake" made by "an irresponsible journalist" in the local Press. But

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MOROCCO: FACTS AND LIES

The statement by the Moroccan Minister of Information, far from allaying apprehensions concerning the fate of Moroccan Jewry, will only intensify them. It is absurd to say that the position of Moroccan Jews is "enviable"; it is deplorable.

This is not altogether the fault of the Moroccan authorities; centuries of economic and spiritual stagnation would in any case lead many Moroccan Jews to seek a better life elsewhere. But their insecurity has been aggravated by the anti-Israel and anti-Zionist policies of the Government which make it virtually impossible to distinguish between Jews and Zionists.

As a result many who might otherwise have wished to stay in Morocco are anxious to leave.

If the Moroccan Government values its good name as a civilized State, it will take immediate steps to calm Jewish apprehensions, and bring the police who exceeded their authority to trial.

If it allows prejudice and fanaticism free play, whatever the political rationalisations it adduces, everyone stands to lose.

THE NEW CLANTON PARK SYNAGOGUE

A new impressive edifice will be consecrated this week-end in Toronto The Clanton Park Synagogue, a little place of worship only a few years ago is now becoming one of the great Orthodox Synagogues in our Province.

The dedication of a new House of Worship in our community, especially one built with fervour and enthusiasm by a group of young Torontonians, should be hailed by all of us as a step forward in the continuous growth of Jewish Toronto.

The dedication week program is very interesting and will certainly attract many of our community.

We wish the new synagogue well.

GROSSMAN HITS BIGOTRY

The first public statement by Minister-Without-Porfolio Allan Grossman deserves our full endorsement. He certainly spoke in the best of our tradition when condemning the "singling out" of any particular group as the element responsible for specific evil.

An Italian immigrant had claimed in a statement to five cabinet ministers that a "Jewish-owned plant in Toronto was exploiting immigrants" Mr. Grossman rightly blasted this accusation "as a stupid statement"

If workers are being exploited, the fact should be brought to the attention of the government, Mr. Grossman continued. "There are Jews who would exploit Jews and Italians who would exploit Italians". our new cabinet minister concluded.

To inject into the employment problem a racial or ethnic insinuation, to cast an aspersion upon one group of the population for exploitation of labour, is as ridiculous as saying that another group is responsible for the bad weather in the winter or for the heat in the summer. It is only "a stupid statement". It is dangerous because it is one of the "foolish remarks" that sow misunderstanding and are poisoning the atmosphere of any society.

No evil and no virtue are the exclusive characteristics of any particular group, people or race.

THE BASSETT FORMULA

Interesting observations on a Torontonian in the Fredericton Daily Gleaner:

Mr. John Bassett, publisher of The Toronto Telegram, is a man who practises what he preaches. A noted advocate of Christian-Jewish brotherhood, he has just provided six scholarshpis under which Israeli students will study at two Canadian universities - one of them UNB.

Mr. Bassett considers himself his brother's keeper. He made this clear following the disastrous Northumberland Strait storm which left the wives and children of many New Brunswick fishermen destitute. When contributions were being sought in Toronto, Mr. Bassett threw the weight of his mighty Telegram behind the drive and did more than his share to put the Disaster Fund over the top.

Mr. Bassett has been to Israel. There he saw cross-sections of two million Jews from all over the world. The lesson he learned was that Israel is building first-class citizens out of new arrivals and is creating the entity of a mother country in the minds of Jews everywhere. He saw Israel as a bastion of democracy in the Middle East which is festooned with fuedal states and dictatorships.

If there were more people of Mr. Bassett's philosophy and generosity, the world would be a better place today for men of all races.

EICHMANN TRIAL: PROBLEMS

Promptness is an important factor in the administration of justice, and however unprecedented the Eichmann trial may be, this feature at least remains constant.

The manner in which the Israeli authorities grappled with the legal and administrative problems involved in the trial at first evoked respect and approval everywhere and did much to allay the apprehensions aroused by the circumstances of Eichmann's capture.

The Israel Government's decision to cover the full costs of the defence by a German lawyer further strengthened the favourable impression. Since then, however, a measure of dilatoriness and ineptitude, which testifies to the lack of a proper sense of proportion, have become evident.

In the first place, there is reason to fear that the trial will be far too long; there is talk of its lasting anything from three months to a year, a historical marathon which will deaden its potential impact on the world Press and public opinion.

Naturally, the trial should be of sufficient length to ensure justice, but the proposals as to its duration have been motivated more by the intention to enlighten world public opinion than by legal necessities. Secondly, the time-table is not being adhered to. Although the foreign Press had made arrangements to send eminent journalists to cover the trial, the date has already been postponed, because the Attorney-General was too busy with the Lavon affair.

The promised handing over of the list of charges to Eichmann's counsel has been delayed; when it is eventually delivered Dr. Servatius may well ask for a further postponement of the trial to give him proper time to prepare his defence.

The preparations for this historic trial must continue to be treated with the dignity, seriousness, and efficiency which marked its initiation. Of this we are convinced.

THE RESIGNATION OF BEN GURION

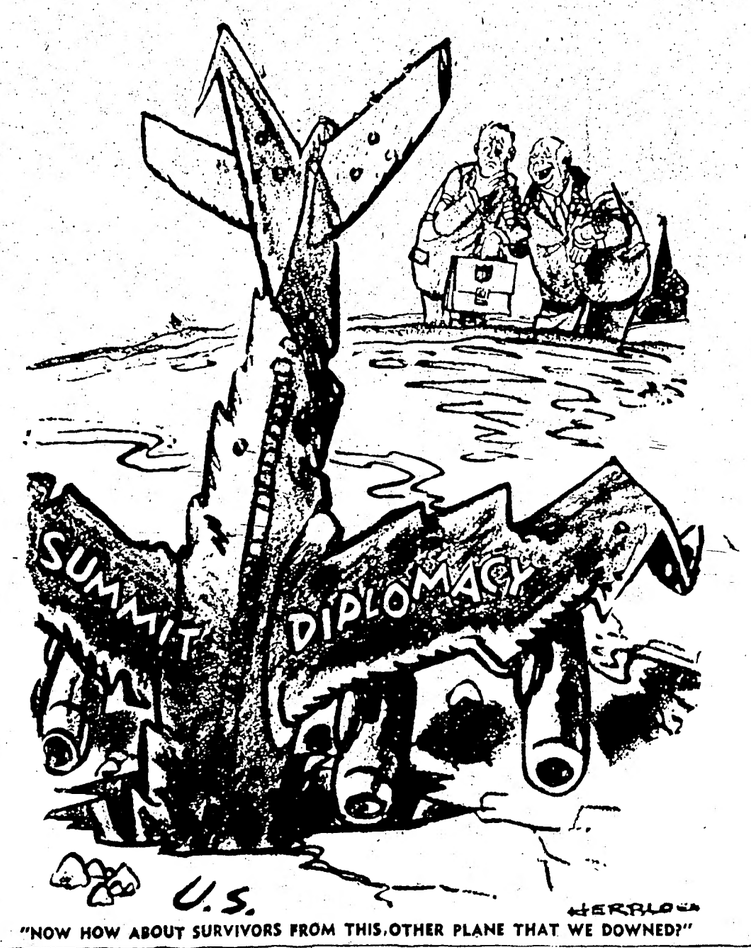
One must deplore the manner in which David Ben-Gurion last week said Goodbye to the government of Israel. No matter how great a man, he should never consider himself greater than the combined intelligence of an entire people. Ben-Gurion is a great statesman and a remarkable, talented politician.. We can only regret the fact that at some moments the politician defeats the statesman.

On many an occasion in the past Mr. Ben-Gurion had created political crises on the ground that certain parties or individuals had not accepted the democratic principle of majority decision. In conjunction with this fundamental Mr. Ben-Gurion spoke of "collective responsibility" of each and every member of a government for carrying out a policy or a resolution voted bythe majority. In the **Lavon Affair** the majority both in the government and in the Mapai party had voted against Ben-Gurion. Had the vote been on an issue of policy, the Prime Minister would have been justified in drawing the inevitable conclusion that he cannot head a cabinet whose policies he opposes.

However, in this case it was a strict personal matter assuming at some time the features of a vendetta. Ben-Gurion should have set an example of discipline by accepting the decision of the majority. Or is it too much to ask from Mr. Ben-Gurion to be satisfied with the verdict unless he agrees with the judge?

It speaks well for democracy in Israel, for its vitality and permanence that one man, no matter how great, cannot prevail against the elected representatives of the people. This incident underscores the difference between the political climate prevailing in Israel and that of its neighbours. No one can be right against Nasser or King Hussein or any other dictator. In Israel, as in the most advanced countries of the West, **the people** are **always right** no matter how right or wrong a leader may consider himself to be.

Mr. Ben-Gurion may have said Goodbye last week to Israeli politics. Or-he may have only uttered the words Au revoir, as on previous occasions. No matter what the outcome of this governmental crisis, it certainly is not a crisis of the regime. Leaders and governments in a democracy come and go but the people and the country continue to forge their destiny.



"NOW HOW ABOUT SURVIVORS FROM THIS OTHER PLANE THAT WE DOWNED?"

Contemporary Hebrew Poetry

SAUL - The End Of The Battle

By NATHAN ALTERMAN

Now has ended the battle of Saul,
day and eve and the cries of the fleet,
for the king on his sword did fall
and Gilboa lay clad in defeat.
In the land, till the dawn was abroad,
there ceased not the runner's run.
A javelin dripping with blood
announced that the battle was done.
Now has ended the battle of Saul,
for the king on his sword did fall.

When on the mountains the daylight shone,
came the runner to his mother's door,
and falling at her feet with a moan,
he covered her legs with his gore.
Oh with scarlet he covered her feet
and the dust of the battle-field.
As she said: Rise O son from defeat—
tears his eyes with darkness sealed.
And he told her of the battle of Saul,
How the king on his sword did fall.

Then she said to the lad: Ah, blood
will cover a mother's feet,
but sevenfold does a people bud
that on its soil lies slain in defeat.
The king has received his due,
but his heir in good time will arise—
for Saul on his soil did rest
the sword on which he lies.
Thus she spoke and shook with each word.

So it was. And David heard.

THE READERS' FORUM — *Opinions and Suggestions*

DEBATE RECENT ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO JEWRY

A RABBI'S POINT OF VIEW

Dear Editor:

As a delegate to the recent 18th Regional Conference of the Canadian Jewish Congress held in Hamilton, I wish to express my dissatisfaction and my disappointment with the result of the sessions — particularly the Sunday afternoon sessions which ended in fiasco.

A regional conference as I understand it, is an assembly of representatives from all the Jewish Communities in Ontario. During the year there arise problems in the small Jewish Community — which cannot always be solved by a letter to Congress. These leaders look forward to the Regional Conference in the hopes that they may voice their problems, discuss them with representatives from other small communities, and together find a satisfactory solution.

But — what really happens at these Regional Conferences?

Firstly — the sessions were far behind schedule. The luncheon session was to have concluded at 2: p.m. but ran on till after 3: p.m. The Communal Services Sessions was to have started at 2: p.m. — it didn't; — and it continued till well after 5: p.m.

The keynote speakers were either Congress Officials of Torontonians. The small-community — delegates, after having travelled long distances, sat captive in their seats, but had no opportunity to express their sentiments or problems.

Those who were scheduled to deliver "brief presentations" delivered instead lengthy, monotonous orations. One particular speaker, disregarding notes handed him by platform members, obvious even to the restless audience, announced merely that he "is very relaxed and content" — and continued on with his speech; Some speakers simply left the convention after having delivered their speech; Apparently they had satisfied their ego, felt that they had given a great service in speaking to the convention, and that the delegates should all be thankful for their great wisdom, and guidance....

Congress made appealing efforts to bring the representatives of the small communities together, to participate in the workshops — yet these same representatives had no opportunity to express their views and attitudes.

I feel it is high time that the Congress leaders **must realize** that when a Regional Conference is called to deal with problems of interest, then surely these same delegates should not serve as a CAPTIVE AUDIENCE to the egotistical long-winded speeches by Congress leaders, or Toronto Welfare Fund Authorities.

Perhaps there is a great deal of truth expressed by one humble community delegate:

"There are many things which even the big city could learn from a small community...

Rabbi D. Kirshenbaum
London, Ont.

REPLY FROM MYER SHARZER

Dear Editor:

You were good enough to ask the Canadian Jewish Congress to comment on Rabbi Kirshenbaum's letter to you and we are glad to do so.

Let me say immediately, on behalf of those who were involved in the planning and arrangements for the 18th Regional Conference, that we are aware of the shortcomings in its proceedings. We, too, were disappointed that, despite careful planning and considerable effort, the sessions ran late and that the delay in starting the workshops Sunday afternoon prevented the delegates from hearing Rabbi Kirshenbaum and one or two others who could not stay on.

At the same time, it should be clear that the participants from the communities did participate very actively in all the sessions and workshops and the discussions that took place. Indeed, it was this very intensive participation by delegates in the discussions at the Public Relations session Sunday morning that extended its time and was the initial factor in throwing the time schedule for Sunday afternoon "out of kilter."

It should also be noted that we were assured by very many of the participants — and it is very definitely the impression of all of us — that the conference was most successful. Well over 300 persons took part; 19 communities were represented; there was a great deal of worthwhile discussion.... and many constructive ideas were put forward.

Your readers generally, and those who attended in particular, may be interested in learning that a thorough assessment of the Conference in all its aspects is planned, and undoubtedly there will be recommendations to remedy the shortcomings that emerged. Arrangements committee members tentatively have already come to the conclusion that, while it was necessary to deal with all the items on the agenda in Hamilton, there should be more time at a conference of this kind for sessions. Although it will present some problems, it appears likely that next time the conference will have at least two full days rather than the slightly over one day that it had this time.

The committee members are also aware that one or two of the "keynote speakers" and the discussants ran over the time allotted to them, and although we are very pleased by the number of community representatives that participated in this way, there is a definite feeling that time limits should be strictly adhered to.

All in all, however, your newspaper was correct in our opinion in assessing the conference as one of the most successful and worthwile in the history of the Central Region. We shall take Rabbi Kirshenbaum's admonitions seriously in working out the plans and arrangements for future conferences.

Myer Sharzer
Executive Director, CJC

CONGRESS AND A BETH DIN

Dear Editor:

I have read in your recent issues with great interest, and have personal knowledge too, of the good work done by the various departments of Congress. However, I am rather puzzled when I see comparisons drawn which show the U.S. in an unfavourable light and how far the Canadian Congress is ahead of our neighbours to the South when Community services are considered.

What puzzles me is how we can pat ourselves on the back so approvingly when the first thing one must look for in these matters, a Beth Din (Rabbinical court) for Canada, is so conspicuous by its absence.

Toronto has a Jewish population of over 80,000, Montreal roughly the same. How does it come about that in all the years, no properly established Beth Din exists?

In Englad there is of course a Beth Din in London, but this is not the only one. Towns like Liverpool and Glasgow with only about 7,000 Jewish population each has its own Beth Din, and Leeds with 25,000 and Manchester with 35,000 each has an important Beth Din.

May I respectfully submit that it is high time that Canada saw to this. What is the reaction of the Community's leaders, when for the lack of a recognised Beth Din we are obliged to call in Rabbis from the States to pronounce upon an improved casting pen for Toronto Shechitah?

Mr. Shemen of the Religious Affairs department of Congress informed me that on the one hand, his department takes care of all the "religious" matters that a Beth Din is usually called upon for, and on the other hand, Congress has a Community Services department which deals with the "Din Torah" cases by providing Courts of Arbitration.

In these circumstances, why not finish the job and organise a complete Beth Din? This would give Canadian Jews dignity and standing in the eyes of the general population, improve our own selfrespect, as well as the respect due to our community in the eyes of world Jewry.

Rabbi Frank Cohen
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SERMON FOR THE WEEK

JUDAISM AS LIFE

Our Sidra **Mishpatim** stands adjacent to **Jethro**, the portion of the Decalogue; it is the sequel to the Sinaitic Revelation. To many Bible students there is an unmistakable decline here. The flaming mountain, erstwhile alight with the fire of God, is now covered with a grey pall of smoke, of legalism — the law of the slave, the thief, the goring ox and the like. The spirit of Judaism has taken a deep plunge from the empyrean heights of religious and ethical inspiration, the summit of civilization, to the lowlands of courts, and lawyers and penalties. 'What a pity!' sighs many a modernist.

Curiously, our special Martir, **Shekalim**, complements the picture with an antithetic parallel. The children of Israel have to be counted; a census is ordered. Population enumeration may be a statistical necessity, but it can hardly be constructed as a source of religious exaltation; it is unlikely material for the kindling of the soul's hallowed flame. Yet Judaism, scattering its spiritual largesse with strange, indiscriminate liberality, transmutes the desert census into sanctuary-building. The half-shekel lays the foundation of the national shrine; fires the altar's ceaseless oblation.

Is this erratic floundering from the spiritual to the secular and from the material to the religious a weakness of Judaism, a symptom of an inner confusion that makes the secular and the sacred interchangeable? No ! this is not weakness, but strength; not confusion, but luminous prophetic thinking. The Torah rejects the deceptive **apartheid** between the material and the spiritual that our age has created. Life is one, life is whole. The secular and the sacred are an undivided continuum. The Sanctuary is gateless; power streams forth from it in a perennial river of lifegiving water, and wherever men bathe in its healing waves they are renewed. The ultimate values of religion know neither time nor place. You may find the Shechina in the Rialto, or at a sick man's bed, or in the prisoner's cell. Only beware of the shrine where they traffic in **mitzvot**; they will sell you cold ashes, the sacred flame of which was quenched in shame.

They tell of the Gaon of Vilna that one day his conscience smote him. He felt that the ivory tower of his saintly Beth Hamidrash had become a snare to him. Men bowed to him as to a king; but there was no prophet among them to speak to him as did Nathan to David or Isaiah to Hezekiah. So he commanded the Maggid of Dubnow to preach to him, to disclose to him the naked Musar-truth. Reluctantly, tremblingly, the famous Maggid spoke: Great Gaon, your Torah-knowledge is incomparable; your saintliness is unimpeachable. But where do you live? Only in your study. What is there to tempt you to evil? Go forth into the market-place, into the grimy, merciless arena of the struggle for existence. There meet life's challenge, and still remain, if you can, the Vilna Gaon!

A LITERARY LETTER FROM PARIS — By JOSEPH BARRY

BOLSHEVIK VENGEANCE AGAINST THE DEAD BORIS PASTERNAK

He noticed four long shadows, no thicker than pencil strokes on the edge of the snowfield just beyond the gully. The wolves stood in a row, their heads raised and their muzzles pointing towards the house, baying at the moon or at its silver reflection on the windows.—

Boris Pasternak's "Doctor Zhivago".

Their love—Zhivago's for Lara, which was Pasternak's for Olga—bothers them beyond the grave, and they came for Olga and took her away before the body of her poet-lover was quite cold in its coffin. "She must have been arrested in the street," he had written of his hero's sweetheart, "and she died or vanished somewhere, forgotten as a nameless number on a list which later was mislaid, in one of the innumerable mixed or women's concentration— camps—in the north."

Pasternak-Zhivago met Olga-Lara after the war. He was married; she had been; both had children. They were middle-aged lovers, whose love makes that of younger lovers look thin and bloodless.

In the time of Stalin, when Zhdanov rode herd on Soviet writers, Olga Ivinskaya refused to testify against Pasternak, though she was tortured by Beria's police and sent to her first concentration camp. (The story of the torture was told by the poet to a Western professor just before the "Zhivago" affair and retold by him in the London Times). And when Russia was released by Stalin's death, she was released from her camp, and she returned to life with her lover, helping with his translations, helping with her typing of "Zhivago," helping him with herself.

We know nothing — and everything — about Olga Ivinskaya. We know she is beautiful; there is the picture of her at the poet's grave, strong and handsome in her silent grief.

"Yury and Lara could have loved and lost anywhere, at any time," says Strachey in his extraordinary essay in Encounter. "Nevertheless, the love story in 'Zhivago' is, from the Russian government's — and most other governments' — point of view, profoundly subversive . . . Pasternak has somehow conveyed to us the force of their love: he has shown its intolerant power in action. And that was not easily to be forgiven him, for he

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ONLY IN AMERICA

By HARRY GOLDEN

THE PROBLEMS OF THE WRITER

Sinclair Lewis, the first American to win the Nobel Prize for literature, said the trouble with his first marriage was that his wife could never understand that he was working when he was sitting staring out of the window. This is the age-old affliction of the writer. He has got to think, and thinking often involves a lack of motion and activity which convinces his wife, his neighbors and his relatives that he is not working.

The truth of the matter is that in this world a lot of habits have never been lost. Primitive man rose in the morning and went out to till the fields and hunt while his woman tended the fire. This is the pattern followed throughout history and this is the pattern people expect to follow every day. What interrupted this pattern, of course, was the invention of the alphabet. But writers' wives never take this into account. No matter how far we extend equal rights for the woman, and no matter how high she herself goes in the career world, she cannot shake off the habit of centuries, that her husband is working only when he goes out hunting every morning.

A man must have a place to go to in the morning and he must come home at night and once a week he is expected to bring the paycheck with him. Women tend to understand that just as they tend to understand that getting the children off to school, baking a pie, and cleaning the house is a routine they will follow every day of their lives.

So the writer who retires to his room every morning faces insurmountable interruptions. If the typewriter is not clack-clacking he will undoubtedly be asked to put on junior's overshoes or to keep his eye on the oven until the leg of lamb is done and sometimes he will be handed a pail and a chamois and be told that the windows are terribly dirty and she says with a snicker, "You can think just as well washing them as staring out of them".

Some writers have tried to beat this by hiring office space downtown and furnishing it with a typing table, a chair, pencils, and a typewriter. This works well enough for the fellow who leaves every morning and returns every night and is able to discuss the day's work. Junior's overshoes get on and he gets off to school, the leg of lamb is done to perfection, and the windows are clean without him.

But downtown he runs into trouble, too. He hires a secretary to take care of the telephone calls and to do the retyping, but one day when he's in the middle of a big thought she'll ask him would he mind taking care of the calls while she takes an extra two hours this lunch to get her shopping done. She, too, thinks he's not working.

AGAIN THE "ILLEGITIMATE" CHILDREN

During its last session, the North Carolina State Legislature toyed with a bill to punish unwed mothers. After two illegitimate children, the bill would urge compulsory sterilization. The bill was defeated. It had been brought to the floor because some Legislators really think that women have illegitimate babies in order to collect the $22 welfare aid every month.

The North Carolina Legislature, however, was well-informed that this is not the reason for illegitimacy. Illegitimate children have been born in all times and in all climates. They are born, really, because unwed girls go to bed with boys.

In the South, the large mass of illegitimate babies are born to Negro mothers. They are "illegitimate" because their mothers live in economic privation and because they live forever on the margin of society. The higher you go in self-esteem, the less illegitimate babies you have.

If the girl knows that she can some day become a nurse, a stenographer, a newspaper woman, a department store buyer, or anything her talent can achieve, she will think twice before she exposes herself to an "illegitimate" baby which in most cases is the result of a sense of resignation—hopelessness.

The Louisiana Legislature is about to drop some 6,000 unwed mothers with 22,000 illegitimate children from its relief rolls. Louisiana's new law excludes illegitimate babies from welfare aid.

Almost as soon as Louisiana puts this law into effect, however, they will lose the full 60 cents of the Federal contribution to dependent children programs which comes through Social Security. Social Security officials can see no avoidance of an early call upon the State to show cause in public hearing why all Federal payments should not be suspended, since the Louisiana law discriminates against citizens.

The law obviously contravenes the right of persons to equal protection of laws guaranteed by the 14th Amendment. When Gov. Frank C. Clement vetoed a similar bill in the Tennessee Legislature in 1957, he said: "The bill represents a factual and realistic nightmare in which little children would be the unintended victims".

And indeed, can this Louisiana Law be the product of a mighty state? A state which has sent men overseas in National Guard detachments to safeguard its citizenry? Is this the state that built a mighty city out of the swamps? Can this state really begrudge its few pennies to illegitimate children? Is it really so puritanical that it cannot abide the thought of illegitimacy?

Because, make no mistake, cutting off welfare payments, and punishing innocent children, is not going to abate illegitimacy one whit. First you have to get hold of the boy and the girl and convince them not to go to bed together. And no political state in all of history has ever believed itself that arrogant.

READING AND RIVINGTON STREETS

Reading Street is about to disappear. Reading Street is one of the oldest streets in Liverpool, England, but it is earmarked for demolition under a new slum clearance program. Eventually, new two story houses will take the place of the balconied-tenements that string along this famous thoroughfare. While living accommodations in the new English corporation dwellings will be better and more sanitary, many of the people who have lived their lives along Reading Street leave it with regret.

Reading Street is where the immigrants to Liverpool moved as soon as they landed in England. Thus, the street used to resemble Rivington Street on the Lower East Side of New York. Perhaps it looked grimy and dirty, but immigrant sections always hold within them a sense of life and purpose that seems often strangely absent from the greenlawned suburbs. Places like Reading Street in Liverpool and Rivington Street in New York exist in anticipation. They offer hope and promise and these two qualities make them more than a place to live; they make them an idea.

The immigrants who lived along Rivington Street in New York were for the most part Eastern-European Jews. The immigrants who lived along Reading Street were the Irish who fled famine and depression in their homeland and came to Liverpool to make a new life. There the differences ended.

Pushcarts and peddlers and signs advertising "Lecture tonight" decorated Rivington Street. They were proof of a great vitality. Along Reading Street there were handcart girls who sold fruit on street corners. Street singers, that venerable British institution, strolled along it and the children tossed them pennies from the balconies. Rag and bone men made their weekly collections and from the Brownlow Hill, the Jewish section of Liverpool, came the eyeglass salesmen. The Jews also sold needles, thread, yard goods and panes of glass to repair broken windows.

The immigrants along Reading Street clothed themselves with a clothing cheque. They would buy a cheque which was good for a complete outfit at a designated clothing store and then they would pay so much a week to reclaim the cheque. The immigrants on Rivington Street also bought on the installment plan, a solid gold watch, a trousseau, and steerage passage for their relatives to join them in America. On Reading Street the fellow selling on the installment plan was called the cheque man, and on Rivington Street he was called the customer peddler.

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THE NORTH - AMERICAN SCENE

By Dr. Oscar Handlin

THE NEW CHARACTER OF AMERICAN JEWRY

The American Jewish community in now being transformed by a process over which it has relatively little control. Many of its eccentricities and much of its unpredictability are due to the fact that it finds itself in a transitional situation. For better or worse, it has entered upon a course that will soon give it a character altogether different from that of its earlier history.

Among the forces most actively involved in this change is a shift in orientation away from Europe. For three hundred years the predominant influences in Jewish life in the United States were exercised by immigrants; now, quite suddenly, the flow of new arrivals has ceased and the Jews have become a community of native Americans. Consequences of the most fundamental nature are only slowly beginning to unfold.

In the past, a succession of movements across the Atlantic brought the Jews to the New World and shaped the dominant forms of their existence. In the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, the migration was predominantly Anglo-Sephardic in origins.

Early in the nineteenth century, the sources of the movement shifted to central Europe and the result was the creation of a German-Jewish community in the United States. Not all, or even most, of the newcomers of the period came from Germany, but the strongest social and cultural influences emanated there and exerted a powerful impact upon religious, social and philanthropic organization.

From 1880 to 1924 Jewish immigration to America was primarily East European in character. The arrival of millions of Polish, Russian and Rumanian Jews led to the establishment of a second Jewish community of Russians, side by side with the Germans. The Jewish labor movement, Yiddish culture, and a revived Orthodoxy were among the products of this migration.

The 1920's were a turning point. The first world war and the subsequent reorganization of the European states coincided with restrictive legislation in the United States to shut off the flow of immigrants. There were small additions from among the refugees from Hitlerism in the 1930's and from among the displaced persons after 1945. These amounted to but a handful, however; and even that trickle was soon decisively shut off.

The results are only now becoming evident. Year by year, since 1930, the proportion of the foreign-born among American Jews has declined and that of the native-born has increased. Of course statistics are unrealiable, since the American government is inhibited from making any inquiry about the religion of its population. But a safe estimate would set the percentage of immigrants among Jews in 1930 above '75 per cent; in 1960 it was well under 20 per cent. A majority of the native-born Jews are still the children of immigrants; but the proportion of those in the third and fourth generations increases steadily. As it does, the connection with the traditional sources of European Jewish life grows ever weaker. The results are grave and are reflected in every aspect of Jewish life in America. Public secular education and the middle-class ideals diffused by the mass media have subtly altered the standards of taste and behaviour, the family life, and the beliefs and practices of the Jews.

Communal life has subtly been reorganized as European influences have faded. The divisions that formerly divided Germans from Poles, Galicians from Russians, have lost their importance. The **landsmann-schaften** and other associations based on Old World local origins no longer hold the allegiance of their members. Increasingly American Jews grow alike and place ever-greater emphasis on the centralization and uniformity of their communities. That trend lies behind the continuing demand for development of a coherent structure into which all Jewish elements can fit.

Most significant of all is the transformation in culture. For years traditional Jewish culture was nurtured from abroad. A majority of the rabbinate, of the distinctively Jewish writers and artists, and even of the communal leaders were foreign-born. That source of direction has now all but disappeared along with the Yiddish press and theatre. The most forceful personalities now address a general American audience in English and what they say is, of course, modified by that circumstance.

American Jews have thus been thrown, unexpectedly and without preparation, back upon their own resources. Only slowly have they begun to perceive, and they are not yet fully convinced, that in the future they will have to depend upon themselves rather than upon outside stimuli. All too often they turn to nostalgic reminiscences of the Ghetto past, to a sentimental quest for Orthodoxy and to Israel in the hope that these may fill the gap. But such reactions are not likely to take the place of internal creativity and vitality.

American Jews are now often obsessed with the problem of survival, itself a reflection of their insecurity. That is a sign of the extent to which they miss the old, sustaining connections with Europe. But the more important question is whether, in survival, they will be able to strike indigenous roots that will permit them to live whole lives in the United States or whether they will remain dependent on memories of the past.

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Veteran Zionist Proposes Solution — *A Five - Point Program*

Can We Save - Should We Save The World Zionist Organization?

By MEIR GROSSMAN

The proceedings of the 25th Zionist Congress, but, more especially, its composition and the manner in which it has dealt with fundamental organisational and ideological problems, have proved without doubt that unless the Zionist Movement can squarely face up to the realities created by the establishment of the State of Israel, it will continue to lose ground. Even the stream of repetitious resolutions, long evenings devoted to oratory "livened" by musicales, could not cover up the cracks in the great structure Herzl erected. The Jewish agency's appeal to the Israeli Government for financial help and the disheartening procedure in trying to form a new Agency Executive revealed the extent of narrow party interests in the Movement and underlined the grave crisis in the Zionist Organisation. The crisis which will not be surmounted either by the so-called "widening of the base," the admission of "Friends of Zion," as proposed by Dr. Goldmann, or by further surrender of one position after another inside Israel.

Government Annoyed

First one must diagnose the disease, then try to remove its cause. The crisis of the Zionist Movement, paradoxically enough, began on May 14, 1948, when Israel came into existence. As the State gained strength and its administrative machinery expanded and its functions widened, the crisis became more acute. The young State replacing the British Administration, found a highly developed, semi-governmental "organism" operating at all levels and called the Jewish Agency. True, the Israel Government took over certain Agency functions and the men directing them, but the Agency retained responsibility in many sectors — principally those connected with immigration, settlement, etc. In time the Government apparatus began to show signs of impatience at the existence of a parallel entity — an impatience which grew as financial resources shrank.

Sense of frustration

Even the signing of a Covenant and the establishment of a "Coordinating Board" failed to lessen friction. Zionist leaders bitterly complained that Government officials, both in Israel and abroad, exhibited scornful, even contemptuous, attitudes towards the Zionist Movement, alleging that it did not properly fulfil its historic task. Some went so far as to declare that the Zionist Organisation was altogether unnecessary and a hindrance. The Jewish Agency was compared to the scaffolding of a finished building. It had served its purpose now it should be removed. These images only intensified the sense of frustration and futility among the Zionist rank and file. The truth was simple: the State still needed the World Zionist Movement and the Zionist Movement for its part would have to readjust itself to new conditions.

Offers plan

Some time ago I arrived at conclusions which I offer now as a fivepoint programme of reform.

First, there is no longer need for a large representative Zionist organisation of millions of 'passive' shekel holders who fulfil do duties which distinguish them from other Jews or from Zionists. The time when it was necessary to demonstrate the will of the Jewish people to establish a State of its own has gone. The State of Israel speaks for itself. Let these shekel-holders or those who profess to be Zionists without duties, become good friends of Israel rather than doubtful followers — inevitably bad examples to others. Today we need a small disciplined, dynamic, and compact organisation, whose members can take upon themselves the implementation of Zionist precepts, people who are prepared 'themselves' to emigrate to Israel and settle there, people who will bring up their children in the spirit of Zionist self-fulfilment. In other words, we need an organisation of Jews able to see themselves as potential citizens of Israel, ready to do their duty in time of peace and war.

Rejects Ben-Gurion's attitude

This kind of Zionist organisation has a right to exist. It has a specific and genuine function to perform. It could enrich life in the Diaspora with idealism and serve as an example for old and young alike. It would act as a sort of elite, justifying the continued existence of the Zionist Movement.

Because this is so I utterly reject Ben-Gurion's attitude that there is no need whatever for a Zionist organisation, that it is nothing more than a wedge between the State and the Diaspora. The idea that officials of this State or 'stam-Jews' can carry out the present-fuctions of the Zionist Organisation is an illusion at best, a self-deception at worst. The idea that the Jewish State can supplant the Zionist Movement is fallacious principally because representatives of a foreign State cannot operate on the territory of another foreign State. Will officials of the government organise aliya? Will 'they' train chalutzim?

Secondly the Zionist Organisation in the Diaspora must free itself from the grip and control of Zionist parties, whose role in the Movement must be curtailed. There is little difference between them in so far as programmes or ideology are concerned. Stress must be laid on increase of individual membership free of party discipline. To be a Zionist should be a privilege. Zionist organi_ations everywhere shoud not limit their activities to work on behalf of Israel; they should penetrate all spheres of communal life to recruit Zionists and promote aliya. They must regain the position they abandoned. It must go without saying that education and cultural work are Zionist 'sine qua nons'.

Zionist Activity For Diaspora

Thirdly, the principal field of Zionist activity, the living space of the Zionist Organisation, must be in the Diaspora'. In Israel we have the government, a parliament, municipalities, an army, and manifold educational institutions. These will take care of the population, old settlers as well as newcomers. The Zionist Organisation and the Jewish Agency must relinquish many of their present activities in Israel. The natural place for the Zionist Organization and for its work are those lands in which the eleven million Jews of the Diaspora live. It is they who need guidance and education; it is they who must be reared in a Jewish spirit, conditioned for aliya. It is in the Diaspora that we shall find our human and financial reserves. It is there that an imaginative and dynamic Zionist leadership is needed. In Israel the Zionist Movement and its executive organs will for ever occupy places of secondary importance, treated neither with honour nor with respect. The Movement can hardly flourish or expand under the shadow of the State; hemmed in on all sides.

The time has come for the Zionist Organisation and the Jewish Agency to transfer their headquarters, lock, stock, and barrel, with all its principal departments, to the Diaspora. For aliya, hachshara — technical and spiritual — education, fund-raising, and all the other functions of Zionism demand that the Organisation operate where the objects of its activities live.

In short, let us divide functions and spheres of activities. The Government operates in Israel; we, the Zionists, in the Diaspora. This is the way to avoid friction, to bring about harmony and cooperation. Of all the departments of the Jewish Agency only those connected with the absorption of immigrants and their settlement should still function in Israel.

Must act independently

Fourthly, the Zionist Organisation must not limit its activities to fund-raising alone or even to dealing solely with education or aliya. It has always been and must remain a political body pursuing political aims. It should resume its political character, in its own way, geared to varying conditions and "climates." Naturally it will not interfere with Israel's political or diplomatic representations. But on the other hand, the Government of Israel must limit itself to these activities and not dispatch abroad its Judenleiter. There is room everywhere both for the Zionist Movement and the Israeli diplomats. No one wants to impinge on the prerogatives of the Israel Government, but there must be a clear division of functions agreed upon, in advance, by both parties. The Zionist Organisation is to act independently and on its own responsibility.

Fifthly, I oppose identification of the World Zionist Organisation or Jewish communities in various countries with the foreign policy of the State of Israel. There is danger to both if the world gains this impression. This is a delicate matter, but the position must be made clear. The World Zionist Organisation in under obligation ever or at any time to identify itself with Israel foreign policy or to receive directives from the State. Misinterpretation of the relationship between the Zionist Organisation and State of Israel might become hazardous both to Israel and to Jews in the Dispersion. Close, friendly collaboration — by all means. Blind acceptance of instructions — certainly not'.

Unless Zionism now strains to free itself from the lethal grip of routine and forms itself anew into a living body with adequate living-space, aims, and a membership whose devotion and self-sacrifice are not questioned it has, I am afraid, no chance of survival.

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HUMAN RELATIONS

Divorced Parents

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QUESTION: I have been divorced since my daughter, now 20, was a child. I raised and supported her with very little help from her father.

My intended son-in-law is coming in from college for the mid-semester period. I am planning a dinner in my home for his immediate family and my family to meet.

My daughter feels hurt that I don't want to invite her father.

A few months ago I invited the boy, his parents and also my daughter's father to my home informally for cocktails. At that time I felt it was my duty to my daughter to have his parents meet her father as well as her mother for the first time. They know we are divorced. It was quite embarrassing and tense.

I wouldn't want to be put through that ordeal again and I don't think it's right for my ex-husband to be there. It would be a strain upon me again and on my family, who haven't seen him all these years, and, I think, on him, too.

He visits our daughter at my home with my permission and under my supervision at least once a week. I speak with him then and even offer some refreshment, providing I'm not under strain. Tension and strain can make me ill for weeks and I cannot afford that. I work for a living.

ANSWER: In addition to working hard for a living to support your daughter and raising her practically all by yourself, you have done a very good job of controlling your feelings about your former husband.

Apparently your daughter has a good relationship with her father, and her attitude toward him has not been influenced by your feelings about him.

Too many divorced people try to bring about an emotional separation between their child and the other parent. The motivation is usually self-centered or retaliatory, but whatever the reason, and whether it is conscious or unconscious, the results are always harmful and distressing to the child.

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Every child of a divorced couple dreams that the parents will some day reunite and live together as the happiest of couples.

Some parents, bending backwards and never saying a critical word or permitting a critical expression to be spoken about the other parent, play into this fantasy. Those who go to the other extreme and vilify the former mate also play into the same illusion.

Either extreme is full of contradictions for the child. If the other parent is so good and sweet that nothing critical can ever be said about him, then why didn't the mother stay with him? If, on the other hand, he is the villain and ogre the mother presents him as, then why did she marry him in the first place?

After a lifetime of devotion that has paid off well in her ability to relate to a good and acceptable man in marriage, your daughter should not require further proof of your love.

Anything that creates tension or stress at a time of rejoicing should be avoided. Her show of love and loyalty to her father should be made at another time and place, and not at her mother's expense. If he wishes, he can go out of his way on his own and do something nice and appropriate to celebrate the occasion of his daughter's engagement and marriage. It is not essential for him to coast along on your train forever.

From now on, your daughter's love and consideration for a male should be directed to her husband-to-be. If she is exclusively mindful of him as a man, he will be lovingly mindful of her as a woman and wife. Then she will be more understanding of what her mother went through as a woman and a mother, while no longer being a wife.

Fighting Child

QUESTION: A neighbour told me quite secretively that her adopted son was under therapy and she recommended that I should seek help for my son, 3. She pointed out the similarity of the boy's actions.

My son doesn't play well with other children. It's all right for the other mothers to sit, but I must stop my son because he usually bites or scratches when he fights. Lately I have been staying away from the play area. He is fine when he plays by himself.

My son seems actually annoyed when anyone acts especially nice to him. He closes his eyes and acts indifferent.

My husband and I have always felt our son was a difficult child. He is very fast and quite bright. He has passed through many horrible stages. However, I was begining to feel that our little uncivilized child was becoming a sweet and very good little boy. Now, any doubts I had have come alive again.

Should I continue to avoid certain children or

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DATELINE: ISRAEL — By Carl Alpert

I Think As I Please

A CURIOUS INITIATIVE

HAIFA — This is Israel's Bar Mitzvah year, a milestone which marks a technical attainment of maturity. It is perhaps only coincidence that this year is also marked in Israel's public life by a wave of nostalgia — a series of backward looks at "the good old days" which preceded the establishment of the State.

Perhaps the present wave was set in motion by a popular musical program which recalled the hit songs of yesteryear. The songs which the halutzim sang as they drained the swamps of the Emek, the songs of the clandestine immigration, the songs which marked high spots in the growth of the old Yishuv, all these were trotted forth, and helped turn memories backward. Albums of the old songs conquered the market, and phonographs in thousands of homes play the discs over and over again.

The mood was set. Old stars of the Habimah were called out of retirement to reminisce. The press looked into its files and found anniversaries of its own to observe. A series of advertisements for a large cigarette company featured pictures of life in Palestine as the old-timers would remember it.

The fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Degania, first of the kibbutzim, sparked a series of meetings, lectures and personal appearances which are still going on, month after month. The fortieth anniversary of the Histadruth took on unusual significance in this atmosphere.

Even the great political struggle of the year, the so-called Lavon Affair, was unmistakably influenced by this mood. It was as if the veteran and die-hard leaders of the old order, cognizant of new winds sweeping the country, were struggling to maintain the dominance and pre-eminence of a hierarchy which had been challenged. In the good old days Histadruth was king, and none dared question its role. Times have changed, and forward-looking Israelis realize that a part cannot be greater than the whole.

The atmosphere of retrospection is clear evidence that Israel is reaching a turning of the corner, and this is the last look back at the days that are no more.

The form and shape of the new Israel has not yet crystallized, and the struggle will doubtless continue for some years. Considerably more than half of the population has no personal attachment to the old Yishuv, and while the immigration of the past thirteen years has not yet produced any outstanding political leaders, it is clear that these people, who constitute a majority of the country's electorate, will increasingly influence the course of the nation's program and policy. Israel's second strongest political party, the Herut, draws much of its strength from these ranks.

Of late there has been a ferment among the country's intellectuals who have hitherto stood aloof from the political arena. An attempt to rally them around a body called "The New Regime" appears to have failed, but they too are increasingly making their voices heard on issues of the day.

Once more the Bar Mitzvah boy plays with his childhood toys. Retrospectively he fondles all those things which helped mold him during his formative years, and now he turns to the tasks and duties of adulthood. The transition does not come quickly nor easily, but it is inevitable. The old order changeth.

TORONTO ORBIT

BY BERNICE DYMENT

THE TALK OF OUR TOWN: Impressive roster of speakers for "Brotherhood Week - 1961 ... Momentous meeting on controversial question of Religious Education in Toronto schools ... "Blood and the Bible".

This year's roster of speakers on behalf of Brotherhood Week (February 19—26), has never been more impressive since the conception of the idea some 14 years ago. The Canadian Council of Christians and Jews under the executive direction of Mr. Richard Jones has steadily grown in scope and influence over the years and through a broad program of press and radio publicity, school essay contests, student exchanges, and distinguished speakers bureau is putting forth real effort towards making Brotherhood a year-round commodity.

Five Cabinet ministers are included in the list of speakers who will be addressing service groups, Chamber of Commerce clubs, Church groups, and interfaith assemblages throughout the province in the coming weeks. The Cabinet Ministers include Mr. Walter Dinsdale, (Northern Affairs), Mr. William Hamilton (Postmaster-General), Mrs. Ellen Fairclough (Immigration), Mr. Michael Starr (Labour), and Mr. Donald Fleming (Finance). In addition, speeches will be delivered by Ontario Attoreny-general Kelso Roberts, Toronto Rabbis Kashdan and Pappenheim, while Rabbi Reuben Slonim will go on a speaking tour through Manitoba and Alberta.

On February 12th. Dr. Watson Kirkconnell, President of Acadia University in Nova Scotia will address an inter-service dinner in Oshawa; Mr. Soli Bamji, a European Indian will speak before the Richmond Hill J.C's; prominent Canadian Negroes Portia White, Bill White, and Phyllis Marshall will speak in Kitchener, North Bay and Timmins respectively; Mrs. Ethel Brant Monture, descendant of Chief Brant of the Six Nations Indians, Dick Shatto, the football star, leader of industry and theatrical stars round out a full list of personalities laboring in the cause of greater understanding between Canadians whatever their ethnic origins or religious conviction.

HISTORIC MEETING AT NORTH YORK

It's regrettable that there will not, after all, be television coverage of the February 13th meeting of the North York School Board for the contentious issue of religious education in North York Schools will reach a decisive culmination at that time — a decision which will undoubtedly affect the future course of events elsewhere through the city.

The Board has asked for the submission of briefs by the Canadian Jewish Congress, the Ethical Education Association, and ministerial associations. It's a red-hot issue and this session of the Board bids fair to being the liveliest on record. Speaking on behalf of those in favor of restoration of religious instruction within the school-day period, will be Mr. Robin Hazell, recently-elected Trustee for Don Mills, who represents the ministerial groups. At present, a number of North York Schools schedule their religious instruction period at 3:30, which leaves the dissenting children free to attend, or go home, as they wish. Also, at these schools questionnaires are sent to parents at the beginning of the school term, asking whether they wish their children to attend religious instruction periods, and presumably it is on the basis of these questionnaires that the decision as to in-or-out-of-school-hours instruction is made.

Taking into account the stand taken by the CJC and the Ethical Education Association up to this point, it is pretty safe to assume, that they will press for exemption in ALL Township schools.

In case your are not familiar with the objections on which the anti-religious instruction groups base their position let me quote from one of their brochures: Their objections are five-fold: "....Democratic principles are violated when a majority imposes its faith upon the children of minorities through a public institution ....For young children, conflict between the religious teachings of the home and those of the school will impair confidence in either the teacher or the parents.... Exemption from religious instruction in a public school, offered as a privilege, is actually a penalty - a penalty inflicted upon the child segregated from his classmates on religious grounds.... It is unfair that little children be faced with either indoctrination in an alien faith or isolation from their classmates.... Teaching one concept of religion, as if it were the only one, denies our children the opportunity to examine and learn respect for the many other beliefs in the world."

Preparing young people for citizenship in a world community is the goal of enlightened educators and parents, and beyond that surely, to every responsible citizen in the community. For this reason, I recommend to you this decisive meeting on February 13th — put it on your calendar as a "must". The address is 15 Oakburn Crescent, off north Yonge Street in the Willowdale area.

THE CASE AGAINST TRANSFUSIONS

"Blood and the Bible" is the rather gory subject of an address which will be delivered to the Toronto Lodge of B'nai B'rith at their February meeting by a distinguished Toronto lawyer Mr. Glenn Howe, Q.C. Mr. Howe is a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses, and has pleaded all cases on behalf of his sect before Quebec and Ontario courts. He has carried cases to the Supreme Court of Canada in defense of the rights of the Witnesses which have had far-reaching consequence to the cause of civil liberties in Canada, beyond the particular issue at stake in any one contest. A recent issue of "The Bar Review" carried a masterful article by Mr. Howe on the legal, philosophical and moral implications of the law compelling blood transfusion, when deemed medically urgent. So massive and compelling were the arguments set forth by the writer that a lawyer friend who mentioned the article confessed to me, almost with chagrin, "I know, and have always believed that in a case of life and death, a parent does not have the inalienable right to decide whether his child shall be administered a life-giving transfusion or not. But, when I finished reading that article I had to admit — Glenn Howe has an iron-clad case!"

It appears that the brothers of Toronto Lodge have a really oustanding treat in store for them at this month's meeting. Their program chairman is to be commended for imaginative planning.

MOVING AHEAD IN DRIVE

Women's Apparel Division Sets Pace In 1961 U. J. A. Campaign

One of the largest and most energetic divisions in the 1961 Toronto UJA Campaign is that of the Women's Apparel. This division is comprised of eight separate units covering the women's and children's wear trade in the manufacturing, wholesale and retail levels and has a record of outstanding performance in previous campaigns.

FURRIERS' GROUP MEETS

This year the Division is already well under way and many of the groups have already met for organization and card assignment.

The Furrier's Group held its first meeting at the home of Eddie Creed who gave an impressive report of his experiences as a member of the 1961 UJA Study Mission to Israel, illustrated by an excellent collection of colour slider portraying the fine progress being made by the young state with the immigration, absorption and settlement of newcomers.

CANVASS ORGANIZED

The opening Meeting of the Cloak's Group took place at the home of Joseph Lokash where all cards where distributed for fast coverage.

Simon Ramm was host to the Ladies and Children's Wear Retail Group meeting at which a city- wide canvass of all retail outlets was organized.

A gathering of the Dress Manufacturer's Group at the home of Irving Posluns viewed a coloured slide report of the 1961 UJA Study Mission to Amsterdam, Vienna and Israel. An interesting discussion was also held on the increased need in Toronto for capital development to meet the rapidly expanding enrollment in Jewish schools.

Louis H. Taube, who did such a fine job in the 1960 campaign covering the cards of the Dress Agents and Garment Salesmen's Group almost single-handed, again accepted a leadership position. After only one week he reports considerable progress, with approximately 30% of the cards already completed.

ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS

Max Tenenbaum, chairman of the 1961 Toronto UJA Campaign, has announced the appointment of Joseph Kerbel and Harry Topper as co-chairmen of the entire Womens' Apparel Division, together with the following Leadership appointments:

Cloaks — co-chairmen: Jack Ladowsky; Joseph Lokash; Samuel Milgrom.

Dress Manufacturers — co-chairmen: Victor Giblon; Nathan Gold; Irving Posluns; George Roth; Lloyd Title.

Accessories — chairman: Julius Wiener assoc. chairmen: Milton Brody; Gerald D. Cohen; Richard Greisman; Simon Ramm.

Furriers — chairman: Irving Berger; assoc. chairmen: George Faber; David Goodman Saul Goodman; Robert Salsberg.

Dress agents & garment salesmen — chairman: Louis H. Taube; assoc. chairmen: Irving Milgrom; Benjamin Rosenberg.

Knitters, hosiery & underwear — chairman: Oscar Shainhouse.

Shoes & handbags — co-chairmen: Sydney Banks; Leonard Simpson; Gordon Winthrope.

ACTIVE IN DRIVE

(L to R) Samuel J. Granatstein, Oscar Shainhouse.

(L to R) Ben Wortsman, Milton Brody, Ben Axmith

(L to R) Mickey Snow, Sol Saltzman, Arthur Paulin.

(L to R) Louis Gula, Joseph Sherkin, Louis Stulberg

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Canadian Panorama

BY MORDECAI HIRSHENSON

ARE CANADIAN JEWS AN ETHNIC GROUP?

Though this aspect has not been generally discussed in the public press, there is definitely a Jewish point of interest in the recent ruckus in Parliament and elsewhere on the question of "ethnic origin" in the 1961 Canadian census. In 1957 and 1958 John Diefenbaker announced a "brave new policy" of introducing a new category into the census lists called "Canadian" whereby (radical thought!) those persons who never knew or had forgotten their remote ancestors' origin, and those who wished to eliminate official hyphenization (such as Mr. Diefenbaker himself who is of Pennsylvania Dutch and Scotch antecedents) could list themselves as simply "Canadian."

But, as we've seen, this well-intentioned plan was withdrawn after drawing the heat and fire of French Canadian nationalists who feared that they would no longer be able to know the number of their flock in Canada should this new classification be adopted even in small part.

What is ethnic origin and in what way does it indicate present etnic affiliation? For the Canadian census the former (ethnic origin) means the identity of the first ancestor on the male side who entered Canada whether this ancestor arrived here in 1932 or 1702. And ethnic, of course, is to be distinguished from "national" origin. Persons of Ukrainian ethnic origin could have ancestors born in Russia, Poland, Austro-Hungary, Czechoslovakia or Rumania, there not having been — except for a brief period after World War I — an independent Ukrainian political entity.

Similarly with Jews. The vast majority of Jews in East European countries were clearly not of Polish, Russian, or Rumanian ethnic stock but simply Jews. "Jewish" was an ethnic classification in those countries for it encompassed not merely a religion but a language (in fact two languages, Yiddish and/or Hebrew), a culture, a literature, etc., even a diet.

JEWS CLEARLY AN ETHNIC GROUP

There was no question then that Jews in Canada until recently did not hesitate to give their ethnic origin as Jewish (in addition of course to their religion). When we look at the census figures of 1931 as assembled by Canadian Jewry's master statistician, Louis Rosenberg, we see this quite clearly. In 1931 there were two totals of Jewish population in Canada as follows: by ethnic (or, as it was then called, racial) origin 156,726, by religion 155,614.

In 1941 the figures were by ethnic origin 170,241, by religion 168,367.

JEWISH DEMOGRAPHY IN THE YUKON

These figures seemed reasonable for it was quite acceptable that there could be one or two thousand persons of varying Christian faiths who in a technical sense were of Jewish ethnic origin. They could be children of mixed marriages, or Jewish converts to Christianity. It was a source of intriguing speculation for those who like to browse in statistics to contemplate the fact that in Yukon Territory in 1931 there were two Jews by religion and four 'Hebrews' by ethnic origin. There was also a smaller number revealed in the statistics of persons who were Jews by religion but of other etnnic origin — perhaps Anglo-Saxon, Slavic, French, etc. These would likewise be children of mixed marriages where the father was Gentile but where the progeny had been raised in Judaism. Also there could be a small number of converts to Judaism.

As these figures show, however, the general discrepancy was contained within a rather small margin and it could be said that "Jews by ethnic origin equal Jews by religion."

"UNETHNIC" JEWS

In 1951, however, a new development appeared in the decennial census figures. That year the returns showed for the first time more Jews "by religion" than by 'ethnic origin" and the discrepancy was quite marked: 204,836 in the former and only 181,670 in the latter, making a difference between Jews by origin and Jews by religion. How did this come about? Was there such a high number of intermarriages in the meantime producing more than 23,000 Jews of Gentile fathers? Hardly. Though intermarriage was somewhat higher it could not account for this difference. A possibility was that some assimilated Jews who had come in from some European lands as refugees looked upon themselves as Germans, Czechs or Poles "of the Mosaic persuasion." Another and perhaps more telling factor is that many Canadian Jews, themselves no longer of the immigrant generation, while not hesitating to claim Jewish religion, preferred to be identified as of Canadian ethnic origin which in 1951 they were for the first time permitted to "write in."

RESEARCHERS' VIEWS

What do Jewish demographers think of this? They would prefer, of course, to have the classification arranged in neat piles without worrying which Jews are of 'Canadian" origin, which are of actual non-Jewish ancestry and which are the "monolithic kind. The actual Jewish population will still be known, as it will be determined by the religion listing. However, cross-classification such as occupational distribution, literacy and other data are made on ethnic origin not on religion and, if fewer Jews opt for the Jewish ethnic origin in favour of another listing such as "Canadian," it will throw the figures on Jewish data it, the cross listing somewhat out of focus.

U.S.A. Does Not Ask This

The Canadian Jewish Congress is in somewhat of a dilemma. It did not wish to protest the change as first proposed as it did not want to be in a position of insisting on a query on ethnic origin (which it would strongly oppose if employment were involved). On the other hand Canada has always been in the unique position of possessing accurate and full data on its racial and ethnic components and has been a mine of information for social scientists studying Jewish life and it would be a loss to be deprived of this fullness of material. In the USA no question is asked in the census on either religion or ethnic origin and as a result minorities (other than the Negroes who are counted) have no official figures on themselves.

WHAT WILL 1961 SHOW

If the category of "Canadian" were retained as an official listing, some Jews who could not consider themselves as English, Scottish or French, would have chosen for that category. Since this category will not appear on the document in print it will be interesting to see if the trend seen in 1951 will continue, i.e., whether there will be a tendency away from "Jewish ethnic origin" in the coming census on the part of Canada's Jews.

NEW FACILITIES TO IMPROVE JEWISH PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE

By BERT GODFREY, President

The time has come when Jewry of this continent must play a positive part in assuring the survival of the Jewish cultural heritage. At no other time were there more cogent reasons for the building and reinforcement of our cultural resources. The great European Jewish centres of learning and literature are in ruins; the majority of the Jews of Europe have perished; the potential talent and creative energies of the Jewish population in Europe are destroyed. It is clear that the responsibility for restoring these ruins falls upon the Jews of the Americas and Israel. A deep consciousness must be awakened, and it is hoped that Jewish Public Libraries will play an important role in providing this impetus.

A TREASURE HOUSE. In striving to make the Jewish community conscious of the vast cultural and spiritual treasures contained in our literature, it has been the Library's primary objective to turn the Jewish Public Library of Toronto into a "Treasure House of Judaica." During the past five years since it has been reorganized, thousands of books in English, Hebrew and Yiddish covering every phase of Jewish life, have been added to the shelves for circulation and reference.

JUDAICA. While the General Public Libraries ably take care of secular subjects, the Jewish Public Library has been directing its efforts to, and specializing in, Judaica only. From a painstaking study of various catalogues and by constantly following up book reviews in the Anglo-Jewish, Hebrew, and Yiddish press, the Library is able to acquire the best and most up-to-date books in all categories pertaining to Judaism. Consequently, books of Jewish content, even in English, that are not carried by any other library are available on our shelves.

CATERING TO ALL. As an institution that caters to the community at large, the Library has books for both reference and circulation, that represent various schools of thought within Judaism: Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist, etc. Due to the steady increase of non-Jewish readers, attention is also given to the acquisition of books designed to improve the relationship between the Jew and his neighbour. The rich collection of valuable works on Bible, Talmud, Midrash, Code of Laws, Dictionaries, Encyclopaediae, etc., make the Library a centre of Jewish learning where teacher and student, scholar and layman, meet to discuss and verify matters of learning. The availability of the Library, to any person (in the whole metropolitan area), for guidance on matters pertaining to Judaism, is a well established fact.

AIMS. The aims of the Jewish Public Library are:— To revive the traditional zeal for Jewish knowledge among young and old;

— to strengthen the custom of setting aside time for reading Jewish classics as well as contemporary works;

— to collect material in English, Hebrew and Yiddish covering every phase of Jewish life and make it available to the public;

— to bring to the attention of the Jewish and general community information about Jewish books;

— to promote inter-faith understanding, co-operation and good will through books of Jewish content;

— in short, to serve the community as a centre of Jewish learning.

Recognizing the important role of the Jewish Public Library in the community, United Jewish Welfare Fund has made plans to move the Library to new and more adequate quarters in the Glencairn and Bathurst district — an area located in the heart of the Jewish community.

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TORONTO JEWRY MARCHING FORWARD IN UNITED CAMPAIGN

Creed's Salon Holds Fashion Show

Last week a champagne party and private viewing of fashions was held at Creed's Salon on behalf of the Special Gifts Committee of the Women's Division, Toronto United Jewish Appeal.

SUPPORTED BY U. J. A.

More than 150 women were present to hear guest Charles H. Jordan, Director General of the Joint Distribution Committee, address them on behalf of the Toronto United Jewish Appeal.

The important work of the Joint Distribution Committee which brings welfare, medical and rehabilitation services to thousands of needy Jews in 25 countries, is supported by U.J.A. funds.

Mesdames John Van Der Hout, Morris Wilson and Norman Simpson, co-chairmen of the Special Gifts Committee, were on hand to assist in the smooth running of the evening's program. Co-chairman Mrs. Irwin Lightman was unable to be there but her husband attended to make her pledge.

URGED TO ASSUME LEADERSHIP

Charles H. Jordan gave a most interesting and informative talk, emphasizing the gigantic task which lies ahead in aiding Jewish communities in such countries as Morocco, Iran and Algeria. "Just as important," he said, "is the job that is here on your own doorstep, that of working together to maintain local services such as your schools and library. A strong, united community at home will contribute greatly to the welfare of the entire world community of Jews." He appealed strongly to the women to follow the example set by their husbands in visiting Israel to study conditions there and to maintain a lively and compassionate interest in Jewish affairs throughout the world.

Noel Zeldin, Advance Gifts co-chairman of the Construction Division, thanked Mr. Jordan on behalf of the U.J.A. and went on, "You, the Jewish women of this community are in business in a very real sense. You are in the business of making a home everything that it should be; of raising your children in a happy environment and of nurturing within their minds and hearts those qualities of duty and service to their fellows that can do no other but enrich the spirit of the Jewish community."

PLEDGES INCREASED

In closing the meeting Mr. Zeldin thanked Eddie Creed for his valuable assistance and voiced the enthusiasm of all the women who were most appreciative of the magnificent display of fashions.

Co-chairmen of the Women's Division, Mrs. Alvin B. Rosenberg and Mrs. Samuel Z. Donnenfield announced, after all pledges were made that increase of more than one-third over last year's figure had been attained.

Mrs. John Van Der Hout introduces Charles H. Jordan.

(L to R) Mrs. John Van Der Hout, Mrs. Morris Wilson, Mrs. Norman Simpson, co-chairmen, Special Gifts Committee, Women's Division United Jewish Appeal.

How Your UJA Dollar Is Spent

Revenue from United Jewish Appeal			$1,040,000
ALLOCATIONS			
To Israel and American Institutions			
Israel Institutions	$ 57,500		
American Institutions	25,500	$ 83,000	
To National Agencies			
Canadian Jewish Congress	$101,400		
Jewish Immigrant Aid Services	35,900		
Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds	5,100	$142,400	
For Local Operating Needs			
Jewish Education:			
Subsidy to Schools $363,000			
Administration, Supervision and Pension 96,400	$459,400		
Jewish Public Library	11,900		
Hillel Foundation	19,500		
Welfare Fund Administration	134,200		
School Repairs, Cemetery maintenance, Assistance to Campers, Pension Plan	11,000	$636,000	
For Local Capital Needs			
Associated Hebrew Schools	$35,300		
Eitz Chaim Schools	29,300		
Jewish Home for the Aged	15,000		
Mortgage — 150 Beverley Street	12,500		
North Toronto Y.M. & Y.W.H.A. Building Fund	117,500	$209,600	
Total Budget for 1960		$1,071,000	
Deficit		31,000	$1,040,000
Revenue			
Pledges			$2,820,000
Realization on Provision for Shrinkage			20,000
			2,840,000
Total Revenue			
less Provision for Shrinkage		$ 112,800	
Interest on Bank Loan		8,500	
Campaign Expenses		153,700	275,000
Total for distribution			$2,565,000
Distribution			
United Israel Appeal (KEREN HAYESOD)		$1,225,000	
United Jewish Relief Agencies (in conjunction with Joint Distribution Committee)		300,000	
United Jewish Welfare Fund		1,040,000	$2,565,000

HELPING TO MOBILIZE THE COMMUNITY FOR THE 1961 U. J. A. DRIVE

(L to R) H. Wayne Tanenbaum, Ralph Fisher, Albert Allison.

(L to R) Joseph Kerbel and Harry Topper, co-chairmen, Women's Apparel Division.

(L to R) George Goldlist, Nat Hennick, Fred Bookman, George Vale.

(L to R) Harry Klamer, Irving Sachs, Harry Zifkin.

THEATRE IN TORONTO

By Barbara I. Pearl

"THE HOSTAGE" AT THE O'KEEFE CENTRE

For an unusual play, The Hostage, in two acts, by Brendan Behan, is hilarious from start to finish. Directed by Joan Littlewood, it had the audience, mostly composed of sons of Erin, in stitches. Its off-colour beat — though not particularly shocking — is refreshingly different from the usual run of bawdy scenes.

The story, in brief, concerns a young English soldier, Leslie — played by Christopher Cary — who is taken hostage by a group of Irishmen. He is to be killed pending the hanging of one of their own by the British. Mr. Cary portrays his part of fear and courage most convincingly.

The young housemaid, Teresa, played by Lelia Barry, is very co-operating as Leslie's girl friend.

The Hostage takes place in a brothel. What ensues is befitting such a background.

Avis Bunnage, as manageress, keeps things lively, as does William H. Basset in the role of Monsewer, owner of the house.

Anita Dangler as Collette, harlot of the house, is very funny. With comedienne Paddy Edwards as Old Ropeen; Princess Grace — Terry Carter —, an American prize-fighter; Rio Rita — Michael Forrest —, the cast of characters is rounded out for a merry mood. Nor must we forget Beulah Garrick who plays the part of the righteous Miss Gilchrist.

Since The Hostage is restricted to adults, it is hardly correct to relate the shenanigans on paper. So why not see for yourselves this brain child of an amazing Irish playwright?

NATIONAL BALLET AT THE ROYAL ALEXANDRA

The National Ballet of Canada, under the direction of Celia Franca, is here once more for a five-week-engagement, through March 4th, at the Royal Alexandra.

Judging by a houseful of mamas, kiddies and sisterhoods, I daresay very few will have missed this season's gala performance by the time it comes to a close. And no wonder! For a sight of sheer beauty and top ballet, one must venture far to match it.

Performed in three sections, the first was Les Silphydes, danced to the accompaniment of Chopin's beloved valses, mazurkas and nocturnes. Choreography was by Fokine, arrangements by George Crum, scenery and costumes by Kay Ambrose.

Costumed as fairies in sparkling white, the cast was a delight to the eye. Toe dancing was firm and precise.

The second act was Winter Night, performed to the music of Rachmaninoff; choreography after Walter Gore, decor and costumes by Kay Ambrose. Solo pianist was Mary McDonald. Here, again, the scenery was breath-taking. Posed in a forest, each group played the parts of mannequins to perfection. Angela Leigh, Lillian Jarvis and Donald Mahler were outstanding in their solo performances.

Act three, The Remarkable Rocket, originated from "The Remarkable Rocket" by Oscar Wilde. The music was by Maurice Surdin, choreography by Don Guiles, decor and costumes by Jack Nichols, costumes executed by Sarah Pouliot.

The performance of this act, for the first time in Toronto, took place on the morning of a Royal wedding. The bride and groom, princess and prince, were treated to a display of fireworks in their honour. The dancers taking part as sparklers, Roman candles, chasers, sky rockets were superb.

As an aside, I must say that the audience was as amusing as the performers. During the third act, which was most unconventional for a wedding scene, I heard from behind me in sotto voice,

"This is a wedding?"

Special mention is due George Crum, musical director and conductor, and his orchestra for excellent support and fine musicianship.

I can only regret that the stage at the Royal Alexandra is a bit short for the many leaps and bounds.

CONVERT PRAISES ISRAELI YOUTH

LONDON (JCNS) — Mr. Abraham Carmel, the Roman Catholic priest who became a Jew, is back in England after spending 15 months in Israel as a teacher, a student, and an observer of some of the medical, cultural, and social projects being carried out in the State.

Mr. Carmel said, in an interview, that he had been particularly impressed by the Israeli youth, which he thought was the best in the world — "virile, idealistic, and healthy in every way." Discipline was not as good as in this country, but the standard of education in Israel's grammar schools was very high.

Mr. Carmel was speaking from first-hand experience. For the past six months he has been teaching English at the Reali Grammar School in Haifa, as well as instructing Army pupils and naval cadets. He also spent some time studying at an Ulpan in Jerusalem and at the Rav Kook Yeshiva.

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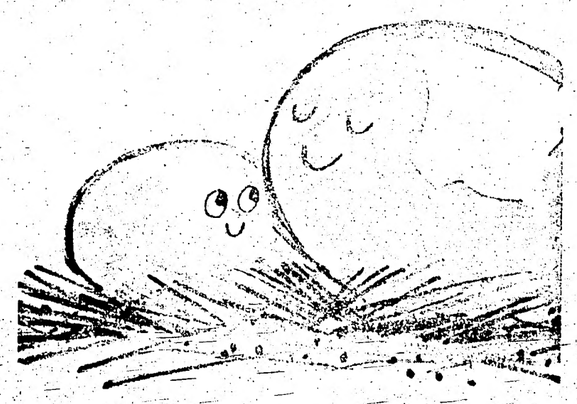
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by Vicki VanKirk

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MATTER OF TIME

Two Irish friends greeted each other while waiting their turn at the bank window.

"This reminds me of Finnegan," remarked one.

"What about Finnegan?" inquired the other.

'Tis a story that Finnegan died, and when he greeted St. Peter, he said: 'It's a fine job you've had here for a long time.' 'Well, Finnegan,' said St. Peter, 'here we count a million years as a minute and a million dollars as a cent.' 'Ah! said Finnegan, 'I'm needing cash. Lend me a cent.' 'Sure,' said St. Peter, 'Just wait a minute."

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DEFINITIONS

Ash tray: something for a cigarette butt when there is no floor.

Archaeology: a science that proves you can't keep a good man down.

Architects: people who now have to measure their patrons for the breakfast nook.

Ant: a small insect that, though always at work, still finds time to go to picnics.

COMEDY NOTE: Christopher Fry, the British poet-playwright, was asked to define his concept of theatrical comedy. "I can't answer such questions," Fry replied, "because I'm afraid you might expect me to have the same opinion the next time we meet."

WISH I'D SAID THAT: it's easy to pick out the host at a cocktail party. He's the one who measures the drinks.

MOROCCAN NEWSPAPER ATTACKS GOLDA MEIR

Rabat, (JCNS) Si Allal El Fassi, chairman of the pro-government Istiglal Party declared here that Morocco should lodge a complaint with the U.N.O. "for threat to the liberty of citizens and Zionist plotting against Moroccan frontiers", when he addressed a meeting of the Party last week.

"Everyone knows that Morocco's conduct towards her Jews is irreproachable. They enjoy the same rights and are subject to the same obligations as the rest of the population", said El Fassi.

Meantime, the semi-official daily "Al Fajr" published two editorials attacking Mrs. Golda Meir for her statement to the Knesset regarding the situation of Moroccan Jewry.

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The Woman And The Home

THE LYONS DEN

By LEONARD LYONS

DUEL: Zsa Zsa Gabor arrived from Hollywood the other day with her new escort, Robert Straley, owner of the Palm Beach Athletic Club. At the Stork Club they told of a party recently where Straley had resented the ardent greeting Zsa Zsa received from Ahmet Ertegun of Atlantic Records, son of a former Turkish ambassador. Ertegun took umbrage at Straley's comments and the next day sent his seconds to present his challenge to a duel.

"Vunderful. A duel," Zsa Zsa beamed. "Poppa always was dueling over Momma and ze girls. It voz nuzzing; a little cut on za hands, and zhen an embrace." Joh Huston advised Straley: "The first thing you do is wear a red sweater, so the blood won't show." Straley laughed it off, insisting on boxing gloves instead of swords — because he's never fenced. He suggested that Zsa Zsa should accept the challenge, because she takes fencing lessons.

"A duel would be vunderful," Zsa Zsa told her new beau, who shrugged, "But suppose I get killed"... "It would be vunderful publicity," replied Miss Gabor, "for me."

CALCULATION: Prof. Maurice Shapiro, head of the Nucleonics Division of the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory, worked with the late Dr. John Von Neumann of the Atomic Energy Commission. Von Neumann asked Shapiro for his number, and the physicist said. "865".... To help remember the number 865, von Neumann started a series of mathematical equations including a mnemonic scheme of LaPlace transforms. "Ill ,emember, 865," said von Neumann, "because my number is 866."

BOOK: Jean Cocteau has finished plans for the publication of his personal diary. He says he kept it for 30 years, that it is total and complete — with a record of daily activities, copies of letters and everything pertinent to his life. "It will be unedited, no initials replacing actual names, no deletions for so-called moral sensitivity. But no one need worry," Cocteau added. "It's to be printed only after my death, so that anyone who wishes can call me a dirty liar without fear of contradiction."

WEALTH: The phrase, "I wouldn't do it even if they gave me a million dollars," is an American cliche. That's because it was deemed beyond the realm of reason. But now it's really happened: Elizabeth Taylor wants to turn down the film "Cleopatra" despite her $1,000,000 fee.

TRAINING: Ex-heavyweight champ Primo Carnera is staying at the Hotel Edison here, while he continues his wrestling career. He was asked how he keeps in condition at 54. "It's easy to keep in condition," said Carnera, "because at 54 you've lost interest in most of those things which used to keep you out of condition."

CASTING: Anne Bancroft, of "The Miracle Worker," will star on Broadway in Marcel Achard's Paris hit, "L'Idiote." The role there is being played by Annie Girardot. It was Mlle. Girardot who played the lead in the Paris version of "Two for the Seesaw," the role created on Broadway by Miss Bancroft.

ADVICE: Jerry Wald, now producing "Return to Peyton Place," was asked by a screenwriter about the best way to approach a writing project to which he'd been assigned. Wald replied by telling of an NYU course he once took, under Thomas Wolfe. He asked Wolfe how to write a term paper "Write a masterpiece," Wolfe said. "There's a great market for them."

ART NOTE: While David Duncan was spending weeks with Pablo Picasso, photographing the artist for his book, he asked Picasso for an autograph — on a U.S. bill. Picasso did more than autograph it. Because they'd been to the bullfights earlier that day, the artist painted a bull on the bill. "Now it's worth more than a dollar," said Picasso, "even with inflation."

SOCIAL NOTE: Labor Secretary Arthur Goldberg has some nieces in Chicago. On the day Goldberg was sworn in as a member of the Cabinet, the girls rushed to phone him congratulations. One of them began: "Congratulations, Mr. Secretary". "Look you don't have to call me 'Mr. Secretary,'" replied Goldberg. "You call me 'Uncle Secretary.'"

DANCE DEPT.: Eli Wallach, co-star of "Rhinoceros," is an Actors Studio stalwart. Arthur Murray invited Wallach to enter the team competition on his TV show, and suggested an Apache dance. Murray arranged for Sono Osato, the ballerina, to be Eli's dance partner. At the first rehearsal of their Apache dance, Wallach — ever the Method actor — slapped Miss Osato's face, hard. When he dit it again at the second rehearsal, she quit and their TV appearance was cancelled.

DRAMA NOTE: Maledeine Sherwood, of "Invitation to a March," also is a Method performer. During a scene with Tom Hatcher recently he suddenly said: "I'm going to faint. Ring down the curtain".... "Of course you feel faint, dear," Miss Sherwood improvised. "Just sit down." While the stage manager in the wings gripped the pulley, ready to ring down the curtain, Miss Sherwood continued to improvise. The audience was unaware that the dialogue was not the author's.

Not once did Miss Sherwood step out of character. Hatcher finished the performance. "I thought if I gave him a lot of loving, everything would be all right," she said. It was.

SCHOLASTIC NOTE: In Merle Miller's new novel, "A Gay and Melancholy Smile," his principal character scoffs: "Ever know a Rhodes scholar who was worth a hill of beans?" Miller wrote the novel before the election. President Kennedy's top appointees include half a dozen scholars — such as Dean Rusk and Whizzer White.

THEATER NOTE: Tad Mosel, author of "All the Way Home," taught a writing class at Columbia. "I gave it up," he said, "because I discovered that writing and teaching are two different talents. I was learning more from students than they did from me."

ART DEPT.: Marc Chagall is telling a story about the local baker who came to him and said: "I understand you're a painter If you paint a picture of me, I'll give you free bread one month." Chagall says the idea amused him. He painted the portrait for the baker, who returned the next day and said: "My wife doesn't think the picture becomes me, so I can't give you free bread for a month. All I can give you is croissants."

TV NOTE: The other night Leonard Sillman, the producer, told Gypsy Lee that he was eager to rent his duplex apartment. Miss Lee gave him practical advice: "A good way to rent it, dearie, is to get yourself a 'Person-to-Person.'"

Princess Margaret's favorite London musical is "West Side Story." She's seen it several times. The last time she saw the show she reserved five seats. Just before curtain time the manager of Her majesty's Theater waited in the sidewalk to greet Princess Margaret — who stepped from her car and told him: "Oh, I hope you don't mind. I've brought my sister."

The new Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Professor Mort Caplin, had good training for the job: he was captain of the boxing team at the University of Virginia.... Jerome Robbins is organizing a new Ballet USA group for the Rebecca Hackness Foundation.... "My Fair Lady" celebrates it fifth anniversary March 15. But the big celebration will take place June 13, when the show will break the longest run musical record established by "Oklahoma!"

On the day his White House job ended, Robert Gray wrote to his predecessor, Maxwell Rabb: "Dear First Secretary of the Cabinet: Between us we're an episode (signed) The Last Secretary of the Cabinet".... Last week, Gray received his first piece of mail forwarded from his old address, the White House. It bore the new Post Office mark, "Remember Aliens Must Register."

The preview of "WEST SIDE STORY" IN ISRAEL will be attended only by army troops. The Israeli government, incidentally, has waived all taxes on tickets to the show.... The "unidentified man" with Marilyn Monroe when she flew to Mexico for the divorce was her lawyer, Aaron R. Frosch. He's also the lawyer for Huntington Hartford's divorce.... Alan Jay Lerner returns from Switzerland next month. Then he and Moss Hart will start revisions on "Camelot."

At the final audition for backers of the forthcoming Offenbach musical, "The Happiest Girl in the World," Fred Saidy, co-author of the book, was approached by a lady backer. She's the sister of Herman Levin, producer of "My Fair Lady." She said of the audition: "You have a beautiful show. Nothing can spoil it now except the magic of the theater."

In the Carol Channing show, "Show Girl," Jules Munshin does a hilarious satire as "S. Eureka," the impresario. S. Hurok saw it, laughed and asked that his real name be used.... At the testimonial to Hurok last week, Ambassador William S. B. Lacey of the State Dept., said that Hurok had turned the department from "cold-hearted souls into culture vultures."

JOE LEVINE, tho showman who is releasing Sophia Loren's film, "Two Women," isn't disturbed by the language difference. He said:

"Sex doesn't need any subtitles."

Henry Cabot Lodge described himself the other night: "I'm just an angry taxpayer now".... Jane Hoffman, who appears in the first act of "Rhinoceros," also is working in Edward Albee's new play, "The American Dream".

Labor Secretary Goldberg spent his first night after the inaugural at a neighbor's house. He'd come home before his children did, and they had the key to the door. The next morning he went home, through the back yard, in a borrowed bathrobe.

CRAZY, MAN, CRAZY

By RUTHIE

According to those in the inner sanctun of fashion design, this spring will see combinations of color as yet unparalleled in the history of milady's wardrobe.

'Tis not enough that winter has brought out green hair here, purple locks there.

"Oh," say those in the know, "there's nothing like something bizarre to dispel the drabness of a long, cold winter."

Others consider anything unusual a healthy release of pent-up emotions resulting from the stress and strain of our present day living.

"Let people stand on their heads, so long as it's harmless!"

And they do — at least those practising Yogi!

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We, gals, are told that we'll wear, for instance, a mauve dress, pale blue hat, pink gloves, beige shoes and carry, perhaps, a red bag. Cute? The idea is to drench oneself with the colors of spring. Gone is the day when we'll form our basic wardrobe upon two colors only.

The only advantage to such a color scheme is the safety in crossing a X-Walk at night. We'll glow brighter than the brightest neon light.

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Picture a hefty derriere covered in orange! Or a bosomy size-thirty-eight wearing purple flowers on a green background! Boy, will "metrecal" brewers coin a fortune!

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I remember the first dress I bought during the New Look era. The boys stopped whistling — no more dimpled knees displayed. Now the skirts are up again. Bet you, two to one, it will be the fat-and-fifty mama who'll show off first. Her daughter's friends will say she looks like a sister. NU, what else would they tell her?

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This morning I checked the clothes in my closet. Must I say good-bye to my basic blacks and navy blues?

My first feeling about this fashion oracle was one of resentment. Who's going to tell me what to wear! I won't be a slave to some nut's whims! I'll wear what's best for me. Should I conform to the conformist — that'll be the day!

But, do you know what? I'll do just like everybody else. If people will be MESHUGAH (crazy), I'll be MESHUGAH too. Why should I be different and let everyone think I'm MESHUGAH?

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In Our Town And Elsewhere

B'NAI BRITH EVENTS HIGHLIGHT MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Many Toronto B'Nai B'Rith Chapters and Lodges have scheduled events for February among which is the annual charity tea and fashion show sponsored by Chapter Shaaron to take place on February 12th in the King David Room of the Town Restaurant. The Coronation Ball of the B'Nai Brith Young Adults Council, Southern Ontario Region was a gala event of last week, at the Lord Simcoe Hotel.

INTER-FAITH EVENTS AT HOLY BLOSSOM

Mayor Nathan Phillips will be honoured at the opening dinner of Brotherhood Week at Holy Blossom Temple, when distinguished guests will join with members of the congregation to honour Toronto's mayor.

February 14th is the date set for Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood Inter-Faith meeting which will be addressed by Rabbi Abraham Fienberg. Many representatives of Churches and local women's group in the area nave been invited to attend as guests of the Sisterhood.

SHAAREI SHOMAYIM TO HEAR SENATOR CROLL

Senator David A. Croll was guest speaker for the February 5th meeting of the Shaarei Shomayim Brotherhood Breakfast Club. Other events planned for the month include addresses by Rabbi Benjamin Hauer on February 19th, to be jointly attended by members of Beth Jacob Brotherhood.

On February 26th, the annual Breakfast of the Council of Jewish Brotherhoods will take place at the Beth Emeth Synagogue.

STUDY HEBREW THE REAL ISRAELI WAY

The Keren Hatarbut Organization of Toronto is making plans for a Summer Ulpan Seminar for Adults who are interested in learning the Hebrew language in a short time.

This Seminar will be organized on a basis similar to the Ulpanim in Israel. Students who enroll in this Hebrew Course will spend 2 or 3 weeks at a Summer Hotel where 2 or 3 hours daily will be devoted to Hebrew instructions.

Tentative plans are being drawn up for the proposed Seminar to take place at the Gateway Hotel ,where Kashrut is under strict dietary supervision and where accomodation is available for other members of students' families.

The Keren Hatarbut office will be glad to furnish further particulars.

CANADIAN JEWELLER WINS SWISS AWARD

Mr. Bertrand Gerstein of Toronto is the first Canadian winner of the Chevron International Award of the Swiss Watch Industry which was presented to Mr. Gerstein at a recent ceremony in Bevilard, Switzerland. Present at the ceremony were Swiss watchmakers and officials from the Canadian Embassy and trade commission.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY OFFICERS INSTALLED

Highlight of the annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Doctor's Hospital was the installation of officers for the new term. President is Mrs. Bernard Balshin; Past President Mrs. Harold Weizel; 1st vice-pres. Mrs. Irving Grenville; second vice-pres. Mrs. Jack Goodman; recording secretary, Mrs. Gerald Weisbrod; corr. sec'y, Mrs. Anthony Antoni; treasurer, Mrs. Norman Green. Following the installation a film "Call to a Nation" was shown. The Auxiliary presented a cheque in the amount of $1500 to the hospital.

CELEBRATING DEDICATION WEEKEND

THE CLANTON PARK SISTERHOOD

Throughout the ages the responsibility for the future of Judaism has been placed in the hands of the Mothers of Israel. They have been the guardians of the home; theirs has been the responsibility for the spiritual growth of the children.

Realizing that the Synagogue is a vital and necessary spiritual factor, the wives of the members of the newly formed Machzikai Hadath Congregation assisted and encouraged their husbands in the formation of the Synagogue. On Purim of 1955 these women met and formed the Clanton Park Sisterhood at the Purim Services and Social Hour held in the hall above Rice's Hardware Store.

Their first President, Sarah Kideckel and her Vice-President, Gertie Danziger immediately initiated the first of the Annual Teas in April of that same year. It was a most successful affair despite the rain and nasty weather that was to harass almost all of their Teas thereafter. It was at this first Tea that the Sisterhood made the acquaintance of the women of the district, so that it grew in numbers and in strength.

During the Fall of 1955 with the Synagogue Social Hall nearing completion, the financial needs of this project made it imperative that the Sisterhood do its share of fund-raising. This led to the Annual Millionaires' Night under the very able direction and leadership of Shirley Silverberg. The first Millionaires' Night was held at the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue on Dec. 17, 1955, and happy results were achieved both fun-wise and fund-wise. The Sisterhood has, through the years, been the main supporting arm of the Congregation and as the Synagogue grew, so, too, did the Sisterhood.

As time passed "natural" causes brought changes in the executive of the Sisterhood and each President took a necessary leave of absence from her office. 1956-57 had Gertie Danziger as President with Gilda Nussbaum as Vice-President. In 1957-58 Ruth Neuburger was President with Carmen Fraenkel and Miriam Frankel as Vice-Presidents. 1958-59 found Miriam Frankel and Dolly Edell as Co-Presidents followed by Sylvia Fine in 1959-60 with Lorraine Bergson as Vice-President. In 1960-61 Sylvia Fine was re-elected President with Ruth Neuburger and Lil Shaul as her very capable Vice-Presidents.

Through these various activities the members have furnished the Sisterhood Kitchen, bought a piano for the Synagogue and have managed to aid the men in reducing their mortgage by yearly contributions to the Synagogue Building Fund.

Now the Sisterhood moves into its new and magnificent Synagogue and Centre, its work becomes more delightful, but its responsibilities become greater. The Sisterhood concerns itself with the spiritual education of its children and its families in the fullest sense of the word. Thus the next main area of work will centre around the pre-teenage group and the teen-ager groups. They are the future of this congregation and the Synagogue must be their world as it is the Sisterhood's.

Dr. ROSE N. FRANZBLAU'S column

(Continued from page 3)

situations my son doesn't get along well with, or is he supposed to be able to adjust.

ANSWER: At 3, little children really don't play together.

They play alongside one another and use each other merely as adjuncts who may be needed for a particular activity. When tired, angry or frustrated, and particularly when the little playmate gets in the way, the child may direct his anger to the other and spew it forth in a hostile act.

But while children will disagree on occasions when they are fatigued, they will play agreeably and not get into each other's way much of the time. A child who is constantly getting into fights or disagreements with other children probably does have a problem.

For a child this young, fighting with other children may be a way of calling attention to himself, even if the attention takes the form of punishment or a reprimand. When nobody gets in the way or takes anything away from him, there is nothing to attract the mother's attention. She is there, but she is not "with him".

He may feel even more rejected when his mother gives him toys to play with, but never plays with him. When his mother chats with the other mothers, ignoring him, these other adults become more threatening rivals than any child could be. He can scratch and bite another child, but never an adult.

A child may be born with or may develop some physical illness or handicap.

But no one, is born a difficult child. Nor is there any stage of development and behavior as the child grows up that is horrible. According to grown-up standards, much of the behavior of children could be termed uncivilized. But for their age and circumstances, their behavior is usually appropriate.

Youngsters who have been exposed to harsh punishments and severe deprivations find themselves very uncomfortable when a misdemeanor elicits a frown instead of a spanking. They expect the extreme. They may cry at the hurt, but the fact that their behavior asks for it again and again shows that they want it. This is their only form of emotional communication. Even though it is most unpleasant, it at least gives them the feeling that they are in contact with others.

Children learn how to give and how to live with others from their parents. This is transmitted to them both by words and example, and by the parents' treatment of them. Limits are set, and rewards are given for good behavior. But where parents have only critical thoughts and feelings about their children, youngsters will behave as badly as theyexpect them to, in obedience to the implicit parental command.

Whatever may have been the motivation behind your neighbour's suggestion about therapy, the suggestion itself is a good one. You should follow through on it. But perhaps you and your husband might benefit from some help to clarify your own feelings for each other and for the child.

With a change in the home atmosphere and in your expectations of him, there may be a marked change for the better in your son's feeling about himself, and in his behavior toward others. When you have done the right thing by your son, you will be able to sit and relax, like the other mothers do.

SOCIAL NOTICES

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Annoucements, Engagements, Receptions and Personal Notices.

BAR MITZVAH

Harold, son of **Mr. and Mrs. Irv. Newman**, 91 Playfair, will be called to the Reading of the Law, on February 11 at the North Bathurst Talmud Torah. A reception will be held on Sunday February 12, at the Beth Am Congregation. Harold is the brother of Murray 9 and Stevie 4½.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kirsh, 18 Langholm Dr., announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Deborah (Cindy), to Sidney Jacob (Shumy) Rosenbaum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Rosenbaum, 68 Brucewood Cresc.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Marlow, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Joyce to Mr. [illegible] Balsky, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Balsky. The marriage will take place on Sunday, November 12, 1961, in Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Caller, 1661 Bathurst St. announce the engagement of their daughter, Leila Joy, to Mr. Martin Rosenthal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Rosenthal, 675 Roselawn. The marriage will take place on March 4, 1961.

BIRTHS

Poizner. Murray and Malca (nee Levy) are happy to announce the birth of a son on Saturday, February 4th, 1961 at the Women's College Hospital. Grandson of **Mr. and Mrs. A. Levy and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Poizner.**

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HOW ISRAEL CELEBRATED ARBOR DAY

By ARYEH NEWMAN

METAMORPHOSIS OF A FESTIVAL

February 1 was Arbor Day this year and was celebrated in Israel by the mass planting of saplings; in the Diaspora by the eating of Israel's fruits.

If ever there was a Jewish Festival that epitomised the marriage of religion and nature, and the Jewish earth — Eretz Yisrael — on the other, it is the New Year for Trees. But let me explain.

In the Bible, though there are all kinds of complimentary references to trees, to the importance of planting them, to laws about tithing their fruit and forbidding their fruit during the first three years after planting, to the prohibition against cutting them down if they are fruit bearing (Deut. xx, 19), there is not the slightest mention of a feast in their honour.

It is only in the Mishna (finally codified in the third century of the present era) that we find a reference to a new year for trees, recording, no doubt, an ancient tradition. The feast makes its debut in our literature in the course of a discussion between the Talmudic sages over the tithing of the fruit of the trees in Eretz Yisrael. When did the year begin for the trees?

REVERENCE FOR NATURE

From their academic discussions, inspired by worship and reverence for their traditions, they turned to study the book of nature, the climate, and seasons of their homeland, they observed the behaviour of the rain and the trees and fixed the birthday of the latter on Shevat 15, "when most of the season's rains had fallen and the tree had begun to drink of the new season's moisture". Their observations coincided with the legends current among the Palestinian peasants of those days, still preserved by the Beduin today and dating back, no doubt, to pre-Israel times in the days of the ancient Canaanites, legends that were of the very stuff of man's earliest communion with the secrets of nature in this most ancient of lands.

"In the rainy season the farmer is shut up in his hut huddled in his winter clothes around the blazing hearth deep in slumber. His livestock are likewise huddled in their pen around his hut shivering with the cold and waiting for the warmer days, for the pasture in the fields and hills. Then Allah in his kindness sends them down from heaven three coals, the first one descends on the seventh of Shevat and warms the air, heralding the coming of spring. The farmer awakes from his slumber, opens the pen and begins to send his cattle into the field. But good pasture is still not to be found, since the cold is still fierce. He waits seven days till Shevat 14 on which date Allah sends down the second coal. The water is warmed and enters the trees and restores their blossoming and fruit bearing properties. The third call descends seven days later when the earth is warmed and the tender grass begins to cover it".

OMISSION OF PRAYER

At any rate we observe how the date of Tu b'Shvat corresponds with the descent of the second coal, when the sap rises in the trees and they begin to awake from their winter hibernation and blossom forth again.

With the exile of the Jewish people from their homeland to other climes and the divorcement from the soil, the only relic of this red-letter day for the trees was the omission of a supplicatory prayer in their daily synagogue devotions, indicating its minor festive character. But it was not long before new life was breathed into it as it was attuned to the new realities of Jewish existence. First, how could a Jew in the ghetto celebrate? By a change in the daily routine. The Jewish boy received a holiday from his studies and the teacher was obliged to provide the class with drinks and cakes. And from the currents of Jewish renascence in the Holy Land there was wafted to all corners of the Diaspora a ritual of fruit eating that awakened nostalgic memories of a glorious past.

Those responsible were a group of mystics who had assembled in the sixteenth century in the ancient Galilean town of Safed, at a time when messianic ferment was at its height. Some awaited the Messiah, with prayer and spiritual exercises, others, in those days of primitive travelling conditions and insecure living, went to till the soil of the Holy Land, and there was even a Jewish "prince," Don Joseph Nasi of Naxos, who acquired from the Turks sovereign rights over a tract of land in Galilee to begin Jewish resettlement. The Safed mystics, to whom every drop of water, every clod of earth and the very air itself in the Holy Land were supremely sacred, who used to go forth into the fields, renewing ancient Talmudic custom, to welcome Queen Sabbath (the 'Lecha Dodi' Sabbath eve prayer is their contribution to our liturgy) instituted a special order of service for Ty b'Shvat, including a real Seder complete with four cups of wine, the white symbolising the decline of nature, the red its rebirth. Their banquet consisted of Biblical fruits eaten in a specific order and accompanied by appropriate readings. Some were satisfied with the seven varieties of fruit mentioned in Deuteronomy viii, 8 (wheat, barley, grapes, figs, pomegranates, olives, and dates), others increased it to 15, and there were others who managed to serve up at their Tu b'Shvat table 50 different kinds of fruits — all produce of the Holy Land".

This custom spread to all parts of the Diaspora and brought a whiff of Eretz Yisrael into every home. Of all the fruits, the lowly carob ("locust" or "Bokser") became the characteristic fruit of Tu b'Shvat, a tree associated in Jewish legend with the martrys of the Bar Kochba uprising, supplying the mystic Rabbi Simeon Bar Yohai, (of Lag b'Omer fame) with all he needed in his cave hide-out from the Romans. It had the advantage of keeping easily and was therefore cheap, though the probable origin of its distinction is, like Tu b'Shvat itself, in a Talmudic discussion regarding fruit tithing.

SAPPLINGS IN HAND

But Tu b'Shvat has come really into its own with the return to Zion in our own day. From the earliest days of pioneering in Eretz Yisrael towards the end of the last century it has marked the season of tree planting. In 1884, at Yessud Hama'aleh, one of the earlier pioneers records how at this season they planted 1,500 saplings in honour of Tu b'Shvat as their first act on founding the settlement, "for so did the Creator instruct us to occupy ourselves with planting; for He did likewise, as it is written: 'And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden.' Today it is associated with the Keren Kayemet's historic enterprise of afforestation, a school holiday when pupils go forth in their thousands, saplings in hand, to plant trees

On Arbor day
when spring awakens
an angel descends, ledger in hand,
and records every blossom, tree,
and spray,
and all the plants of our
gardens.
From town to town, village to
village
he soars on pinions light,
the vale doth search, the
mountains rummage,
speeds through the desert in
single flight
and returns to heaven.
And when the ledger is full
of tree, blossom, and bush;
when the fields the desert
annul,
all our land a garden lush-
the Messiah will appear.

(SH. SHALOM)

BOATING AND FISHING

SEASON AT ITS HEIGHT IN MIAMI BEACH

Miami Beach—Opening of the Southern Ocean Racing Conference this week, an event attracting blue water sailing skippers from many states, is but a fraction of the boating fun awaiting Miami Beach visitors.

Not many vacationers can bring the lovely yawls, sloops, ketches and schooners that compete here in the ocean races, but everyone can get out on the sparkling sea. Boats many be rented, with or without crews, for a day, week or month of fishing and cruising.

For outside waters a hull of 25 feet or more normally is accepted. Most of the charter fishing boats are more that 30 feet, with twin engines. Fishing is the usual object of jaunts to the Gulf Stream, here some two miles offshore, with the sailfish ruling the trophy list at this time of year.

Most of the cruising at Miami Beach is done with the sheltered waters of Biscayne Bay, with sailing craft and inboard and outboard power all popular. As the bay is some 30 miles long, there is plenty of room for all-day trips and lots of water for fishing.

Mackerel and bluefish are high spots of winter angling in the bay, plus such all-year residents as bonefish, snapper, jack and sea trout. And these are by no means all. The Metropolitan Miami Fishing Tournament, open to all visitors, lists 32 species of salt water fish as the game varieties available here during the winter.

Also among these is the tarpon, not here in the great numbers present during April, May and June, but still to be located in certain favored areas.

FUN ASHORE, TOO

Recreation ashore reaches its peak during February and March, offering a wide variety of top night club and theatrical attractions.

Collegiate basketball is scheduled Feb. 1, 11, 15, 20, 23 and 25 in the Miami Beach Auditorium, with the University of Miami team as host.

Concerts by the University of Miami Symphony Orchestra will be given in the Auditorium Feb. 5 and 26. The first will feature Raya Garbousova, cellist, as guest star and the second the piano work of Claudio Arrau. A concert by the Miami Beach Civic Orchestra is set for Feb. 12 and many of the night club stars performing here will be seen in the Auditorium Feb. 9 and again the 19th in benefit performances. Opera will be presented Feb. 22.

Spectator sports include horse racing at Hialeah Park, greyhound racing at the Miami Beach Kennel Club and jai alai at two frontons on the mainland.

Active sport to be enjoyed by vacationers, in addition to swimming, counts golf, tennis, water skiing and skin diving. Two 18-hole municipal golf courses augment private clubs in the area and there are two city tennis centers. Other recreation facilities may be found in the playground parks, including shuffleboard, tennis and handball.

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FLORIDA BUILDS NEW PARKS

By C. E. WRIGHT

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—The Florida Park Service, which manages thirty-six state park and historic memorials that draw more than 3,000,000 visitors a year, is planning an ambitious expansion program. To cover the cost of expanding its present facilities and adding more parks, it has asked the State Budget Commission to grant it $3,500,000 for the next two years.

Since September, park employees have been busy cleaning up the debris left by Hurricane Donna. There was little damage to structures, but many trees were blown down or uprooted. The most severe blow was dealt in Highlands Hammock State Park, near Sebring, where many old and rare trees were destroyed. The clean-up in all the parks will be completed by mid-December, but even Highlands Hammocks has remained open to visitors except for foot trails.

One of the biggest problems the Florida Park Service has had to meet is in increasing its accommodations for campers, whose ranks have risen from 89,000 to 224,000 within the past four years. Overnight tent camping is not permitted in all parks, but in most of the seventeen parks where facilities do exist, the campers have been arriving in droves.

THE MOST POPULAR

In winter the parks in South Florida draw the crowds, while in summer the North Florida parks are more popular. The parks most heavily populated by overnight campers are Collier-Seminole in the southwestern part of the state; Fort Clinch in the extreme northeastern section, near Fernandina Beach; Fort Pickens, near Pensacola; Gold Head Branche, south of Jacksonville; Highlands Hammock, near Sebring; Hillsborough River, north of Tampa, and Jonathan Dickinson, above West Palm Beach. In the past fiscal year the number of tent campers at these parks ranged as high as 30,000 a night.

The Hugh Taylor Birch Park at Fort Lauderdale, the only one facing directly on the ocean, draws by far the greatest number of visitors. Its annual total has topped the 650,000 mark. No other park comes close to this figure, though at a number of others the annual influx of visitors ranges between 200,000 and 300,000 annualy. Among the leaders are Fort Clinch, Fort Pickens and St. Andrews, at Panama City.

State parks in recent years have become one of Florida's most popular tourist attractions, particularly among visitors seeing the state by automobile on modest budgets. Yearly attendance from 1957 to 1960 rose from 2,768,029 to 3,195,136, and the Park Service's new appeal for funds is based on the needs created by increasing use of the parks by residents and tourists alike. For 1959-61, the State Legislature appropriated only $557,700, although $2,683,470 had been requested.

Among new facilities currently being provided in many of the parks are dining rooms, rest rooms, boat ramps and cabins, and more of these facilities are in the planning stage.

The most grandiose plan at the moment, however, is the creation of several new parks and memorials. One of these, an historic museum at Cedar Keys, in on the drawing board. The land has been donated, and the museum will depict the early history of Cedar Keys, a town which, along with Key West, was once the largest in Florida. The role that Cedar Keys played during the Civil War as a Confederate port also will be dealt with in exhibits being planned by the University of Florida.

Near DeLand and the St. Johns River, the Park Service has acquired 600 acres from the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, a state organization, and this also will be developed into a park. The Park Service is rounding out, too, the acquisition of 382 acres bordering on Lake Griffin, near Leesburg, and plans call for this also to be turned into a public park.

THE ONE UNDER WATER

Two other projects of major importance are on the schedule, one the development of the Key Largo Coral Reef Preserve, which will be the only underwater park in the world. Last March, President Eisenhower signed a proclamation setting aside the reef as a national preserve, and Gov. LeRoy Collins of Florida has given control of the sea bottom to the State Board of Parks and Historic Monuments. The underwater park is twenty-one miles long and has an area of seventy-five square miles. The Park Service believes it will become one of Florida's most popular attractions for visitors to the Keys.

Another major project contemplated by the Park Service is the creation of a new park in West Florida, north of Apalachicola, the area where Florida's oysters come from. Negotiations are currently under way to obtain a long-term lease on sufficient acreage to establish in this area Fort Gadsden State Park, a site which will commemorate a little known phase of Florida history.

After the victory of Gen. Andrew Jackson at New Orleans in the War of 1812 and the subsequent signing of a peace treaty in 1815, Jackson was ordered to the Georgia-Florida border to halt the Indian raids against the border settlers.

The situation was complicated because even then, in 1818, the Federal Government was negotiating with Spain for the purchase of Florida, and both British and French agents were stirring up trouble.

THE NEW PARK

Jackson reached Fort Scott, near the confluence of the Flint and Chattahoochee Rivers, in March. Here he was joined by 800 regulars and 900 Georgia militiamen. Soon afterward this army reached the site of a Negro fort, at a point seventeen miles north of Apalachicola.

This fort had been built by Col. Edward Nichols, a British officer, for his Seminole allies during the War of 1812. After the war ended about 300 fugitive slaves seized the bastion and attacked Americans who were trying to ascend the Apalachicola River.

In July, 1816, a United States Navy force had destroyed the fort, and when Jackson's army arrived there they found only ruins. General Jackson ordered the erection of another fort, which he called Fort Gadsden in honor of one of his officers. It is on this site that the Florida Park Service plans to have its new state park.

The Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials here has issued a pocket-size folder listing all state parks and monuments, their size, their location and those having facilities for camping. It will be sent free on request.

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A LITERARY LETTER FROM PARIS

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has asserted that his relationship is in some respects more important than anything else: more important perhaps — and here was his blasphemy — than 'the revolution' itself."

During the great post-revolutionary purge, Yury and Lara took refuge in mid-winter in a desolate house on the Siberian landscape as did Boris and Olga later on the Stalinist scene. In three weeks they celebrated a lifetime of exaltation and ecstasy — a dual passion for the world of man, for Pasternak's was both a deeply physical world of God's creation and the realm of the esthetic person and a dedicated poet.

It was while he was writing poetry one moonlight night that Yury heard "the long, whimpering, deep-bellied baying," and turned to look out the window. Then he noticed "the four long shadows on the edge of the snow-field," the wolves standing in a row, "their muzzles pointing towards the house."

The wolves have closed in, as Pasternak knew they would. Shortly before he died last year, he wrote a friend west of the Russian border, "If, God forbid, they should arrest Olga, I will send you a telegram saying that someone has caught scarlet fever. In that event, all tocsins should be made to ring, just as would have been done in my own case, for an attack on her is in fact a blow at me."

Let the tocsins ring as loud as the bells of Moscow at the death of another Boris.

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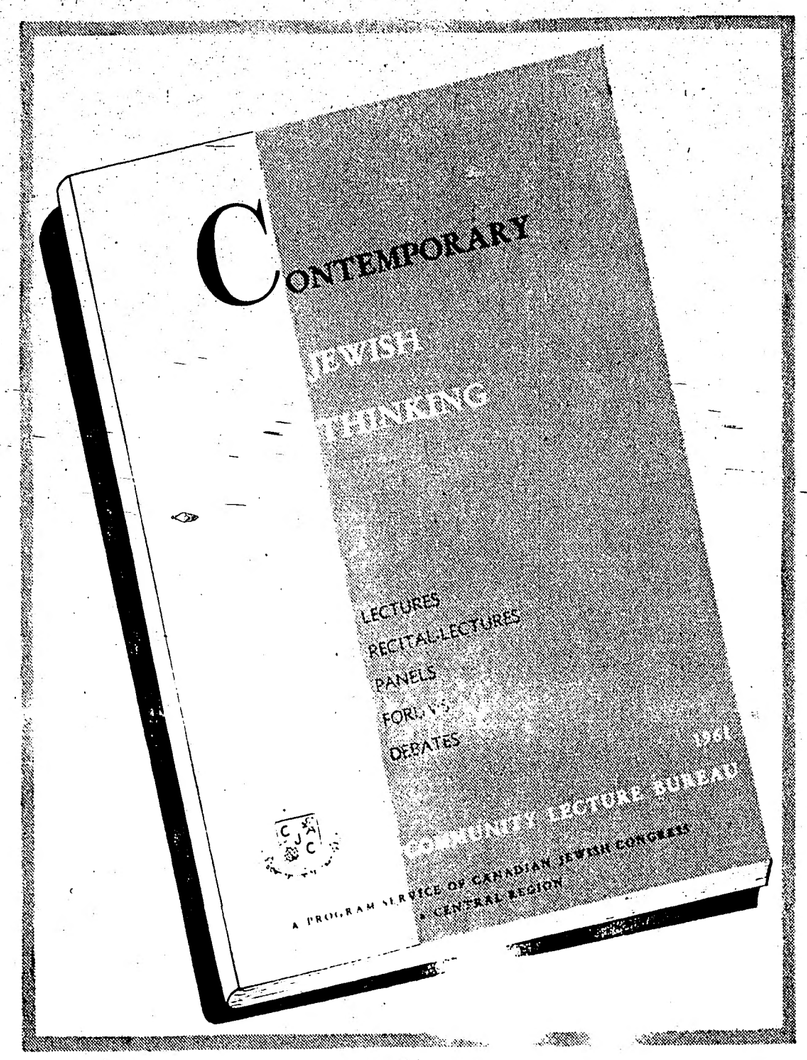

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LECTURE BUREAU AT WORK

During the past few weeks, a number of speakers on a diversity of subjects have been provided by the Community Lecture Bureau, a special service of the Canadian Jewish Congress, to a number of communities in the Region as well as to organizations and congregations in Toronto.

Niagara Falls:

Adult Education Study Group, Beth Jacob Congregation. Chairman: D. Pullen; Speaker: Alan A. Borovoy; Subject: "Social Conscience of the Modern Jew".

Welland:

Joint cultural evenings with communities of Niagara Falls and Port Colborne. 1. Chairman: Bernard Ennis; Adult Educ. Chmn: Dr. Julius Ennis; Panel Discussion: "Changing Jewish Values in a Changing World"; Moderator: Alan A. Borovoy; Panelist: David Satok, Sidney Peck; David Lewis Stein. 2. Speaker: Victor Sefton; Subject: "Jewish Values in the Contemporary World".

Peterborough:

B'nai B'rith Lodge No 1392, with Jewish Welfare Council. Panel Discussion: "Should We Censor The Bigot"; Moderator: Alan A. Borovoy; Panelists: Joe Goldenberg, Sidney Peck, David Lewis Stein.

LECTURES IN TORONTO

B'nai Israel Beth David Cong., Downsview:

Rabbi Albert Pappenheim. Adult Education Chairman: Max Goody; Speaker: Elliot Pepper Q.C.; Subject: "Society and the Problem of Crime".

Shaarei Shomayim Cong.

1. P.T.A. Chairman; Adult Educ. Victor Sefton; Speaker: M. J. Nurenberger; Subject: "Jewish Education". 2. Brotherhood Breakfast Club. Chairman: Ralph Etigson; Speaker: Julius Sokoloff; Subject: "Sholom Aleichem — His Life and His Writings".

Ora Chapter of Hadassah

Chairman: Lorraine Levine; Adult Educ. Chmn: Jeanette Stein and Tanya Hurowitz; Speaker: Samuel Kelner; Subject: "Jews Behind the Iron Curtain".

Carmel Chapter of Hadassah

Chairman: Gilda Auerbach; Adult Educ. Chmn: Ruth Young; Speaker: Jerome Diamond; Subject: "Personality of the Jewish Family".

Queen City Chapter No 772 B'nai B'rith Women

Chairman: Lil Abrams; Adult Educ. Chmn: Laura Greenberg; Speaker: Peter Martin; Subject: "Your Mind Alive — Changes and Challenges".

Violet Davis Study Group Nat. Coun. Jewish Women

Chairman: Mrs. May Karp; Adult. Educ. Chmn: Mrs. Rosalie Shadlyn; Speaker: Dr. H. Fenigstein; Subject: "European Jewry: 1918-1939".

Club Eilat, Pioneer Women's Org.

Chairman: Etty Danzig; Adult Educ. Chmn: Etty Danzig and Terri Weiser; Speaker: Mrs. Abe Levine; Subject: "Changing Values in a Changing Society — A Woman's Point of View".

Jewish Home for the Aged

Chairman: Mrs. Ivy Krehm (Recreation Dept.); Speaker: Mr. Morris Stern; Subject: (in Yiddish) "Jewish Communities in South America".

Council's Good Age Club at Shaarei Shomayim Cong:

Chairman: Mrs. B. Thompson (Good Age Worker); Speaker: Mr. Kalman Berger; Subject: "Chassidism".

Y. M. & Y. W. H. A. Good Age Club

Chairman: Mrs. B. Thompson (Good Age Worker); Speaker: Rabbi Immanuel Schochet; Subject: "Chassidism".

Beth El Sisterhood

Chairman: Mrs. H. Hershorn; Adult Educ. Chmn: Mrs. M. Ages; Speaker: Jack Burke; Subject: "The Shtetl — Ideal and Reality."

A SHORT STORY

By YEHOSHUA BARZILAI

SULTANA-A REMARKABLE SABRA

Yehoshua Barzilai (Eisenstadt) - (1856 - 1918) settled in Palestine in 1887 and was active in the colonization of the country, playing a leading role in the foundation of the villages of Hadera, Rehovot, Beertuvia, Metulla and Mishmar Hayarden. His stories and essays, collected in Kitvei Yehoshua Barzilai - from which Sultana is taken - constitute an invaluable contribution towards the history of the modern resettlement of Palestine.

I was very weary for I had been climbing over the crumbling ruins of Arbel, so I paid no heed to the warnings of the soldier who was accompanying me, nor to the gathering darkness of approaching night. I sat with this soldier of mine on the mat, which the landlord of the Be'er Yosef inn had spread for us with true Eastern cordiality, and thirsty as I was I greedily sipped the boiling coffee from the tiny glass.

"Hurry, sir, hurry! The world is dark, the road is not good, we must fear!" my soldier urged me in Arabic once more.

With all my heart I desired to hearken to his warning, for I was familiar with this road and its terrors, and all the mishaps lurking in wait for the night traveller, especially at a time when the Druze were beginning to be seen along it once more. But my tired limbs refused to obey me. Come what might, I had to restore my strength with several hours of sleep.

It was in the last third of the month of Iyar, 565-(189-), at a time when travellers were abroad on the usually deserted roads of Galilee, and the hope crept into my heart that some caravan of belated Zoharim (pilgrims) would chance my way.

It was already the second watch; big bright stars rested on the tops of the Mountains of Naphtali, their broken rays lighting the rocky, narrow path up which our horses climbed. Even that dim light showed that we wese proceeding along the brink of dried-up chasms, and that one false step would suffice to scatter our bones even before they reached the dreadful, sharp rocks, which we could see as if ready and waiting below.

Apparently our good horses sensed the full extent of their responsibility, for they moved on sure-footedly, ascending with amazing caution. Now we were approaching the crest of the steep slope. Our horses' heads were lifted high, as if they were pursuing the two stars resting on the mountain-top; but the stars were very wary, and as we drew but a little nearer to them, they mischievously fled, and were now settled on the ridge which blocked our path. But our horses, too, did not tire of the pursuit. These Arabian steeds clambered like wild beasts over the ridge that rose almost perpendicular like a wall. We reached the top at last, but alas! We had not caught them. The stars were already fixed in the blue vault enclosing the range of mountains and looked down most innocently as if they had never moved from their places Now our horses hung their heads; even they now realised they would never reach the stars.

We halted on a wide road paved with huge slabs of stone. By this road we must yet descend to the valley, and then we would again climb up another precipitous hill towering ahead of us.

I breathed deeply, relieved, for now we would ride for a while on a broad, straight highway. I struck my horse and galloped along this good road.

"Be careful sir, this road paved with stone is like glass!" my soldier called out.

My horse's feet, which slipped several times, soon proved that the soldier was right.

A question began to occupy me. "Was this the remnant of a road made by my ancestors or by the Romans who laid my country waste?" But I could not pursue this thought further, for I was compelled to imitate my soldier who was riding ahead of me, and to shorten my horse's rein so as to force is to raise its head. All my thoughts were concentrated on guarding against the slipperiness of the road, which had already been the cause of many broken legs.

"Your pistol, sir!" my soldier suddenly called out to me, as he quickly lowered his rifle from his shoulder and gripped it in his right hand across the saddle.

"There are riders," he said to me softly. Indeed, behind me I heard a sound like that of galloping horses.

"Don't be afraid, those are our friends from the settlement," I reassured my soldier. But I was doubly afraid. Horses coursing along such a road were sufficient to arouse my suspicions, but there was also my soldier, a stranger to me whom I had taken with me from Nazareth only the day before (even though it was on the recommendation of the innkeeper from whom I had hired my horse). "God alone knows what this fellow is plotting," I brooded.

"At night there are no friends!" muttered my soldier, as if in reply.

The sound of the riders behind us came closer; their galloping along such a dangerous road confirmed our surmise that they were pursuing us. We could not escape them—they would easily overtake us, while any display of fear would make naught of all our hopes of resisting them. So we rode on slowly, as carefully as before.

"By God, one of them is a woman!" said my soldier.

Now the riders were visible. Three of them wore black aqalim round their heads and were wrapped in black abayas; the fourth was wrapped in an abaya white as snow, which also covered the head. Apparently my soldier had been right—the movements were gentle and aristocratic like those of a woman.

"Good people! Is this the way to the settlement?" The rider's apparel and weapons reassured us. We realised that they were Government troops—the best escorts on the road.

"A little faster!" said one of the riders to my soldier, spurring on his horse.

The rider dressed in a white abaya approached us. The abaya had slipped back revealing a veil, which was also raised, over the face. I could now see that it was the face of a young maiden bedecked in rich Arab dress. From her neck hung a dagger in a fine scabbard of gleaming silver, and there was a pistol on either side of her saddle.

Were our horses getting used to the slippery surface, or was it possibly the company that was affecting them? Now they galloped in step with our new escorts; their ankles did not give, and they snorted with joy.

I raised my hat as a sign of greeting and respect to the woman rider.

"Salaam aleikum!" she answered in Arabic, and asked whether I was from Rosh Pinah.

She told me that she was from Damascus and had been in Meiron for the Lag Be'Omer festival. Now she was on her way back from Tiberias, where she had been visiting her old father. She intended to stay for several days in the local administration building at Rosh Pinah, where she would find her betrothed, the Government Officer of the Hermon district. And the troops were accompanying her at the order of her father, the Governor.

Never had I so regretted my inadequate knowledge of Arabic. It is true I understood quite well most of what she said, but I could not properly reply or indeed utter anything sensible. As though to spite me, she spoke only Arabic and a little Spanish, while her voice was very sweet and inspired conversation.

In our short talk I had already exhausted my fund of Arabic, but in the course of it had not said the half of what I ought to have said, even out of mere politeness.

The stone highway came to an end, as though cut off by an invisible hand. Now, again, we climbed up a steep mountain by a narrow path bestrewn with boulders. The troopers went ahead of us. My new acquaintance, who had already told me that her name was Sultana, consented to ride alongside me. The path she left to my horse, and all my remonstrance was of no avail: her noble horse leapt like a hind over the sharp rocks and boulders. Had it not been for her soft, pleasant voice I would have thought that Reuma had been restored to life and was eager to display her prowess. A large, silvery ball appeared above the mountains on my right, and as it went on rising it grew continually smaller. After some minutes we could see the shape of the moon in the blue dome arched over us. Now we were on a plateau, from which we could see the white top of Hermon reaching up to the blue dome, and the silvery winding serpent going forth from Lake Meiron, and hurrying on to Lake Kinneret.

Twinkling lights announced the proximity of a settlement.

"On the mountain," said Sultana, pointing to Hermon, "will be my home. We already live on it; from my father's house in Damascus we can see the snow which covers it, until often it seems that you can touch it with your hand though it is more than a whole day's journey away from us."

To my question as to whether she knew Hebrew she replied with a little giggle, "That is the language of the Rabbis."

She listened to my broken Arabic, in which I endeavoured to explain to her that Hebrew was now a living language which girls, too, were learning, and that this was a duty which was essential for the existence of our people.

"I know a little!" she admitted with some pride, and recited the Shema to me in a good Sephardi accent,

Did the night breeze of spring, which bears on its wings the myrrh of Lebanon, the scents of Hermon and the perfumes of the Jordan, breathe another spirit into me, and loosen my tongue so that my lips could speak a language which was strange to me, or did my imagination deceive me? But this I remember well even now: Throughout the hour that we rode on the plateau which leads to Rosh Pinah I spoke to Sultana and explained to her everything that had happened in these places long ago, and that the duty of her father, the Governor, and her bethrothed, the Government Officer, was to extend the area of Jewish colonisation and help our dispersed brethren to settle here. A nod of her lovely head and the sparkle of her burning eyes testified that she understood what I had said, and when I told her that these desolate spots would yet be revived and beautiful Jewish villages like Rosh Pinah would cover all these wastes, she exclaimed with great enthusiasm: "Oh, God grant it!"

At the crossroads I held out my hand to her and turned my horse to the right, to the road which leads to Mishmar Hayarden.

"Wait a moment!" said Sultana, and with the swiftness of a deer she sprang from her horse, gathered some of the wild flowers growing around and tied them in a bunch which she presented to me. "A rose of the Jordan! Let this remind us of our pleasant meeting!" she said, raising her crop to her horse which sped away swift as an eagle.

Eight years later I happened to be in one of the small towns of Hermon. My business brought me to the house of the local Government Officer, and while I was still sitting in the hall waiting for him to come out, I heard behind me a sweet voice saying, "A rose of the Jordan!" There stood Sultana and, pointing to her husband, she said to me in Hebrew: "This is my lord!"

BRITISH - ISRAELI TALKS ON MAGNESIUM

Jerusalem, (JCNS) Talks between a British firm and the Israeli Government about the production of magnesium compounds by a cheap process invented by an Israeli scientist began here.

Representatives of the London firm, Nordac Limited, are negotiating with officials of the Israel Development Industry for the extension of their licence rights in the U.K. and Belgium, which had been acquired for the exploitation of the invention of the late Dr. David Amman, a former lecturer in physical chemistry at the Hebrew University.

'COMPUTER FOR CULTURE' OFFERS MAJOR AID OF CONGRESS TO ONTARIO JEWISH LIFE

What the electronic computer means to the business world, what the railway schedule means to the traveller — this may well be what a newly-expanded service offered by the Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region, is going to mean to Ontario's Jewish communities.

Organization of the Community Lecture Bureau, with a wide-ranging roster of speakers and artist-lecturers specializing in all manner of subjects, is expected to ease considerably the problems of program chairmen and organization leaders throughout the province's 30 Jewish communities.

RANGE FROM 'A' TO 'Z'

A 56-page printed brochure has been made available as the first major step in the expansion of what has always been a service offered by the Congress offices, but never before in such an organized fashion.

The brochure lists a total of 148 lecturers, men and women who by profession, sholarship and interest are making important contributions in various areas of Jewish and general Canadian life. They literally range from A to Z, and brief biographic sketches as well as possible lecture topics are given with the name of each speaker. The lecturers, who will charge no fee, include well-known Jews and non-Jews, many of them from the communities outside Toronto.

EVEN 'ORGANIZATION JEW'

Included also are 13 professional "artist-lecturers", comprising some of the top talent in their respective fields. The bureau even offers suggestions for the "line-up" of panels dealing with at least 10 different topics.

Speech topics offered by the distinguished group of lecturers cover a lot of territory. Jewish communities can pick and choose from such suggested subjects as "The Teenager as He Sees Himself", "Jewish Existentialism" "Experiences as a Prison Chaplain", "Should Jews Seek Converts", "Organized Religious Life in the Diaspora", "A Jew in Politics", "An Analysis of Anti-Semitism", "Jews and Alcoholism", "Backstage on TV", "Jewish Women in Many Lands", "The Eichmann Case", "The Theatre Today", "The Role of a Jewish Press", "The Great Books That Shaped Jewish Life", and many, many more.

Panel presentations range from "The Arts in Canada" to "Africa, Asia and Israel" to "The 'Organization' Jew—An Evaluation".

Congress leaders have expressed the hope that this lecture bureau service will be found especially useful for programming for Jewish Music Month, Jewish Book Month and other adult education programs and general cultural activities.

In the forewad to the brochure, Mrs. Esther M. Cooper, Bureau chairman, voices the hope that this "intensified service will be of significant assistance to the Jewish community, its organizations and groups, in the interest of a better informed and more dynamic Jewish life."

United Appeal awards were presented to three people at a meeting of the Inter-Ethnic Executive Committee of the United Community Fund of Greater Toronto at their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 25th. They were for successfully publicizing the cause of United Appeal, both before and after the 1960 Campaign. Signed by Dr. Harvey Cruickshank, Chairman of the 1960 United Appeal Campaign, the awards were presented by Mr. William H. Risley, Chairman of the Inter-Ethnic Executive Committee. From left to right, those in the picture are: Mr. William Weis, who received the award on behalf of the German-Canadian Business and Professional Associates Inc., Toronto, for the booth donated to United Appeal at their annual Christmas Fair at Casa Loma; Mr. Frank Glogowski, editor of the semi-weekly Polish "Zwiazkowiec", for publicity given in his newspaper; and Mr. Mike Janecek, formerly editor of "Novy Domov", who gained considerable support for United Appeal through the ethnic Press club and ethnic newspapers. At the extreme right is Mr. Risley, Chairman of the Committee.

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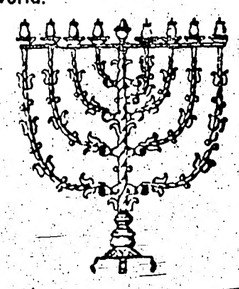

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A MOST APPRECIATED GIFT FOR A BAR MITZVAH, OR NEWLY-WED COUPLE

HUNGARIAN CONGREGATION BETH YITSHAK HOLDS ANNUAL DINNER

The annual dinner of the Beth Yitshak congregation was held at the Synagogue at 119 Barse St. on Sunday January 15th.

The congregation which is comprised of Toronto Hungarian Jews is led by the eminent Rabbi Ernest Klein. A special guest was Rabbi Yaacob Duschinsky, Director of the Aliyah World Federation of Hungarian Jews. He paid high tribute to Rabbi Klein's immense Talmudic background as well as to his monumental works which he has just completed namely the Etymological Dictionary of the English Language.

Mr. Arthur Minden Q.C. president of the Toronto branch of the Hebrew University spoke on the accomplishments of the University and its place in the world.

Guest artists were Mr. E. Rosner former tenor of the Hungarian State Opera House in Budapest and Miss Liane-Mangelsdorf who rendered some classical selections on the piano.

Those shown (from left to right): Mrs. J. Borgida - Dr. J. Borgida - Rabbi Yaacob Duschinsky - Mr. M. Baker - Rabbi Dr. Ernest Klein - Mrs. Arthur Minden - Mr. Arthur Minden Q.C. - Mrs. P. Horvath - Mr. P. Horvath.

Mainly About Women

By Esther Zeldin

• At a leadership meeting of the executive of the **Shaarei Tefillah Sisterhood**, plans were finalized for a joint Sisterhood and Brotherhood kiddush on Saturday, February 11.

Also discussed was their annual tea to be held this year on May 7. Conveners of the tea are **Mrs. J. Schwartz, Mrs. M. Lefko** and **Mrs. E. Sugar.**

The executive plans a most interesting program for their next general meeting on March 8. Guest speaker will be Mr. R. W. Bundy. He will speak on "Tensions of Living."

• Members of **York Chapter 704**, of B'nai B'rith Women held a social evening for patients of the Ontario Hospital in New Toronto, on Wednesday, January 25.

The chapter was most pleased at the participation of the **Rokeah Pharmaceutical Association's Orchestra.**

At these entertainments which are held monthly, each patient is presented with a gift. Refreshments are also served. Conveners were: **Mrs. Grace Schwartz, Mrs. Anna Attekeker** and **Mrs. Elsie Gilbert.**

Mrs. Pauline Burns is President of York Chapter.

• On Tuesday, January 24, the **Etzion Chapter** of the **Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's Organization** held a meeting at the home of Mrs. J Spodek.

The chairman **Mrs. M. Balinsky** thanked the members for their efforts in making their Bazaar project a success. The Bazaar committee included **Mrs. S. State, Mrs. C. Cohen, Mrs. J. Lubetsky, Mrs. J. Waverman, Mrs. A. Figdor** and **Mrs M Balinsky.**

The meeting was also the occasion for the Etzion Chapter members to congratulate Mrs. Spodek on the Bar Mitzvah of her son, Samuel.

• **Mrs. Dora Israelson**, national vice-president of the Pioneer Women of Canada, gave a review of the World Zionist Congress to members of **Pioneer Women's Ben Gurion Club.**

The meeting was held on Tuesday, January 31, at the home of **Mrs. Rose Forgang**, 34 Timberlane Dr.

• **The Clanton Park and Shaarei Tefillah Congregations** will celebrate Purim together at the Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue, on Saturday, February 25.

Highlight of the evening will be a musical play "My Fair Sabra." The cast will include members of both congregations. It will be directed by Mrs. Nat Garnick.

Prizes will be awarded to the guest with the most original mask.

• Members of **Northern Chapter, Hadassah Organization**, met on Monday, January 30, at the home of **Mrs. Mary Coles**, 47 Meadowbrook Ave.

They discussed their approaching bingo on Wednesday, February 15, at the Zionist Bldg., 651 Spadina Ave.

Mrs. Sarah Ross is convener of the bingo. Presiding at the meeting was **Mrs. Anne Wolfman.**

• **Dr. David Shaul** addressed members of the Women's Auxiliary, New Mount Sinai Hospital on Wednesday, February 1, in the auditorium of the hospital.

Dr. Shaul spoke on Women, Facts and Fables. This lecture was one of a series presented by the Health Education Committee of the Women's Auxiliary. **Mrs. Harry Eisen Jr.** presided at the meeting.

• Plans for the **April 19th Conference of Ontario Chapter, Women's Branch, U.O.J.C.A.** were studied by the special conference committee who gathered for luncheon at the home of **Mrs. H. Botnick**, 339 Hillhurst Blvd.

The Chapter is preparing an outstanding day of events to be shared by members of Orthodox sisterhoods from all over Ontario. Keynote speaker at the featured luncheon at **Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue** will be **Mrs. W. Berenson**, honourary vice-president and past president of the National Women's Branch.

A Sherry Party, at which the board members will meet **Mrs. Berenson**, will be held at the home of **Mrs. D. Rotenberg**, 96 Baycrest Ave. Members of the committee are: **Mrs. Jean Desson; Mrs. L. Gasner; Mrs. I. Green; Mrs. M. Neuberger; Mrs. M. Nussbaum; Mrs. S. Sigler; Mrs. D. Rotenberg; Mrs. T. Waldman; Mrs. M. Weinberg;** and **Mrs. H. Botnick**

• COMING EVENTS

• A vacation in Miami and Mexico awaits some lucky guests who attend the Tea & Fashion Show, "El Salon Mexico," sponsored by B'nai B'rith Sha'Aron Chaptor on Sunday, February 12, at the Town House Restaurant.

• In order that **Camp Israel**, partially destroyed by fire, may be rebuilt in time, a Fund raising banquet was held on Sunday, January 29, at the Torath Emeth Jewish Centre.

Guest of honour, Rabbi Hershel Schacter of New York, addressed the assembled on the unique contribution Camp Israel offers a Jewish child.

Rabbi P. Rosenzweig of Kitchener, spoke of the work of the Agudath Israel Organization, sponsors of Camp Israel whose major area of concern is the education of our youth.

Greetings from the Ontario Government was extended by **Mr. Alan Grossman.** He offered congratulations on the recent court decision exempting the camp from taxation.

A silver wine goblet was presented to **Mr. Harry Wolfe** in appreciation of his years of legal service to the Agudath Israel Organ. **Rabbi Moishe Alon** of Hamilton, was chairman of the banquet. Executive director of the camp is **Rabbi T. H. Klein.**

• **Hadassah Organization** of Toronto announces the formation of the **Hadassah Choir**, under the direction of **Ruth Cooper.** The first rehearsal took place on Thursday, February 9, at 1.30, at 221 Glen Ayr Rd.

FULL PUPIL STUDY OF NAZISM ASKED

CHICAGO — The Chicago region of the Illinois Congress of Parents and Teachers has recommended that school children be taught "full understanding" of the Nazi era and its evils.

Some members, however, had reservations. Mrs. Andrew Marva of the Harlan High School P.-T.A., said:

"Going into the evils of that period can only result in more hate, and emphasizing the brutalities and atrocities of an insane monster are certainly not a constructive approach on how to become a better American.

THE JEWS ON THE NORTH-AMERICAN CONTINENT

A NEW, FASCINATING FEATURE IN THE CANADIAN JEWISH NEWS

This New Feature - **THE NORTH-AMERICAN SCENE** Commences in this issue on page 3.

Almost half of the world's Jews live in the United States and Canada and news reports alone cannot give an adequate picture of the lives we lead. Each week in this new feature one of the distinguished contributors below will discuss developments, analyse trends, and explain the background to the news.

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC

OSCAR HANDLIN

Professor of history at Harvard University and a distinguished teacher and writer on the social history of the United States. His book "The Uprooted" won the Pulitzer Prize in 1951. He is the editor of the Library of American Biography and a member of many learned societies.

LITERATURE AND ARTS

HENRY POPKIN

Lecturer in the English Department of New York University, and well known for his contributions on drama, fiction, and the popular arts to a variety of journals including the "New York Times". A graduate of Harvard and Michigan Universities, he has lectured extensively in Europe.

POLITICAL

DAVID SILVERMAN

Fellow of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at Harvard and a graduate of Brandeis University. He is research assistant to Max Lerner and has contributed to many journals on political affairs.

ISRAEL AND UNITED NATIONS

RICHARD YAFFE

New York correspondent of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE and of THE CANADIAN JEWISH NEWS. Educated at Harvard and Boston Universities he has been connected with the Columbia Broadcasting System and leading New York newspapers. He is an authority on the United Nations and Vice-Chairman of the Foreign Press Association of America.

RELIGION

MARTIN PERETZ

Minister of the Riverdale New York congregation, managing editor of the "United Synagogue Review", and Instructor in Philosophy and Religion at the Teacher's Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary. Educated at Chicago and Columbia Universities he served as Chaplain to the American Armed forces.

JEWISH ORGANISATIONS

ALBERT VORSPAN

Director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations Commission on Social Action and an authority on Jewish communal life. He is co-author of "Justice and Judaism," which has been described as an authoritative guide to Jewish social ethics.

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NEO - NAZIS TO TOYNBEE

'Town Hall' To Give Inside Story To London, Neighboring Centers

A "Town Hall Meeting" featuring two top leaders of Canadian Jewish Congress and directed to the Jewish communities of London, Ontario, and five neighboring centers, will be held in London, Sunday night, February 19.

HAROLD VAISLER

A full-scale report, followed by an open forum discussion, on major aspects of communal concern and activity, will be featured at the gathering in London's Jewish Community Centre, sponsored by the London Jewish Community Council, it was announced this week by Harold Vaisler, president.

GASNER, HARRIS TO SPEAK

Reporting to the meeting will be Meyer W. Gasner, who has just been named Central Region chairman of the Congress, and Sydney M. Harris, national chairman of Joint Public Relations Committe of Congress and B'nai B'rith. Mr. Vaisler will preside. A. B. Gillick, Council secretary, will report on London community activities in 1960.

Invited to the meeting, in addition to members of London's Jewish community, are the members of the Jewish communities of Chatham, Ingersoll, St. Thomas, Stratford and Woodstock.

TOPICAL ISSUES

Messrs. Harris and Gasner will deal with such questions as: the neo-Nazis; the "Toynbee affair"; the local community and kashrut; better adult educational and cultural programs; religious instruction in public schools; a more cohesive Jewish community in Ontario.

SYDNEY M. HARRIS

The London community's special committee in charge of arrangements includes, in addition to Messrs. Vaisler and Gillick, Rabbis D. Kirshenbaum, J. B. Friedberg, Dr. Isadore Goldstick, Alan Cohen.

EICHMANN TRIAL

(Continued from page 1)

the purpose; in local concentration camps and in labour camps in Germany and German-occupied territory where Jews were enslaved, starved, and tortured; and through mass deportations carried out under inhuman conditions in Germany and 17 other countries, including Soviet Russia and the Baltic States.

The second and third counts state that between 1939 and the end of the war Eichmann, together with others caused serious physical harm to millions of Jews by enslaving, starving, deporting, and persecuting them, and by detaining them in ghettoes under inhuman conditions. In the fourth count Eichmann is charged with having devised measures for the sterilisation of Jews as a first step in destroying the Jewish people.

Immediately after Dr. Servatius received the charge sheet the Attorney-General informed him that he was entitled to ask for a preliminary inquiry, which would be held in the Jerusalem District Court.

If Eichmann's counsel decides to adopt this course — he will undoubtedly place the Israeli authorities in an embarrassing position. For the inquiry would then be heard by Judge Benjamin Halevy — who on Monday was excluded by legal amendments passed in the Knesset from presiding over the court to try Eichmann.

ARNOLD EDINBOROUGH FEATURED

Noted Canadian Editor To Address Hamilton Community On Sunday

Arnold Edinborough, noted editor of Saturday Night and well-known through his radio and television appearances, will be guest speaker Sunday, Feb. 12, at the joint annual meeting in Hamilton of the Council of Jewish Organizations, the Jewish Social Services and Jewish Community Projects.

ARNOLD EDINBOROUGH

A feature of the meeting will be the installation of Mrs. Albert State as new president of the Council. Mrs. State is the first woman in the Hamilton community to earn this distinction.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The meeting, to be held at the Jewish Community Centre, 57 Delaware avenue, starting at 8:30 p.m., will also feature the installation of other new officers of the Council. Rabbi Bernard Baskin and Anshei Sholom will do the honors. Dr. Frank Shapiro, past president, will preside.

The slate of officers include: Dan Verrlieb, first vice-president, also joint chairman of the finance and personnel committee together with Albert Takefman;

Mrs. ALBERT STATE

Paul Hanover, second vice-president; Morris Smurlick, third vice-president; Mrs. Dan Goldstein, secretary; Mrs. S. Bennett, Kevey Lebow, Percy King, Dr. Philip Yanover and Albert Feldman, members of executive.

Greetings will be offered by Morley Goldblatt, president of Hamilton's United Jewish Welfare Fund; Lewis Ross, chairman 1961 U.J.A. Campaign; Mrs. David Polan, Mrs. Samuel Quitt, co-chairmen, Women's Campaign, and Saul Marks, chairman of the Jewish Social Service, who will also give a report on 1960 activities.

UNITED APPEAL GREETINGS

Gerald Chandler, executive director of Hamilton United Appeal Fund, will bring greetings from his organization.

DAN VERTLIEB

Mr. Edinborough's topic will be "The Layman in Community Affairs." Former editor of the Kingston Whig-Standard, Mr. Edinborough has served on many Canadian organizations, including the National Board of the Canadian Council, the board of the John Howard Society of Ontario and he is a governor of the Dominion Drama Festival.

AN ANNIVERSARY

By BERT GODFREY

DECADE OF JEWISH EDUCATION HERE REVIEWED

A review of the first decade of the existence of the Bureau of Jewish Education shows consistent and vigorous growth in school population and a simultaneous effort to maintain high educational standards.

During the past eleven years the Jewish population of Toronto has grown from 65,000 to 80,000, an increase of 23%, and a growth in pupil enrollment from 3,800 to 8,700, an increase of 127%.

School units affiliated with the Bureau now number thirty-two, of which twenty receive subsidies. In the case of subsidized schools the Bureau meets the difference between the cost of instruction and the fees paid by the parents plus a grant toward administration. Approximately 50% of tuition cost is met by parents' payment of fees, the Bureau allocation meets the rest of the cost. Day Schools receive grants only for the Hebrew tuition cost of their program.

In addition to direct subsidies, a wide range of services are rendered by the Bureau to both subsidized and non-subsidized schools alike.

In the year 1960 a sum of $459,416 was allocated to Jewish Education by the U.J.A. through the United Jewish Welfare Fund, and the Bureau of Jewish Education.

TEACHERS' TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT

The Bureau of Jewish Education administers the Toronto Midrasha L'Morim (the Jewish Teachers' Seminary) in which sixty teachers have completed their studies and many of them now serve in Toronto and Ontario Jewish schools. Both summer and winter seminars have been organized and are being maintained in order to help the teachers grow professionally.

Shortages of qualified teaching staff throughout America has made the recruitment and placement of teachers one of the important services rendered to our schools. A number of teachers from Israel, Europe and the States, who were qualified by the Bureau, have been assisted in obtaining entry into Canada and are now employed in our schools.

SUPERVISION AND CONSULTATION

An important service to the schools is that of supervision and consultation. Supervisory visits by school consultants, meetings and discussions with principals, educational directors, teachers and school committees, serve to raise educational standards in the schools.

New communities in outlying districts and in growing areas of Jewish population have been assisted in planning their respective schools even before these were established.

Services to teachers and schools include various teaching aids, film strips, etc. The Bureau Library offers a large number of books and publications dealing with Jewish education and teaching practice as well as works in Judaica. Periodically these are released program suggestions for special occasions, such as Home and School.

Gifted teachers in our schools who are able to contribute to the advancement of Jewish education by way of text books or who can contribute to the field of Jewish literature are encouraged to do so.

Important data and statistical information is collected and prepared by the Bureau in such areas as enrollment, budgets, hours of instruction, etc. These comparative tables serve a useful purpose in comparing educational development in our community vis-a-vis that in other communities in the United States and Canada.

INTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The Bureau seeks to encourage activities among the schools in which the latter can participate on a city-wide basis. Such activities would include the administration of the United Jewish Appeal in the schools, Bible Contest, Jewish Book Month, Concert of Chool Choirs in observance of Jewish Music Month, Bi-Centenary of Canadian Jewry, Warsaw Ghetto Remembrance Day, etc.

TEACHERS' WELFARE

The Central Agency for Jewish Education has established and maintained categories and salary scales for teachers in the community. A Code of Practice has been evolved governing teachers' tenure, sick leave, etc., which is now in effect in all schools. A year ago a Pension Plan with the United Jewish Welfare Fund has been inaugurated for teachers in our schools.

ADMINISTRATION

The Bureau provides the schools with attendance records, registration cards and other forms, which make for uniformity in administration and also constitute a saving to the schools.

TEACHING PERSONNEL AND ENROLLMENT

A total of 371 teachers are employed in our affiliated schools. Of these, 135 are teaching in the subsidized schools — the large majority working on a full-time basis. 236 teachers are engaged in the non-subsidized schools, a considerable proportion of them on a part-time basis.

Total enrollment in our schools is 8,700. Of this number 3,900 are in the subsidized schools and 4,860 are in the non-subsidized schools.

LEADERS URGE PRIORITY OF JEWISH EDUCATION

Highlighting the importance which they attach to a more vigorous and serious approach to Jewish Education, are the recent pronouncements of prominent Jewish leaders.

Thus, Mr. Label A. Katz, International President of B'nai B'rith, advocated "priority status" for Jewish Education which represents "the major challenge to a creative Jewish survival in the decade ahead."

Defining Jewish Education as "the root of Jewish existence," Mr. Katz urged B'nai B'rith to act as a catalyst for a deeper, more abundant quality of Jewish Education.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, World Jewish leader, speaking at the 25th World Zionist Congress stated: "Jewish Education must occupy the number one position in Jewish life and replace in order of priorities philanthropy and all other kinds of activities."

While Mr. Irving Kane, President of the Council of Jewish Federations, emphasizing the urgency which that important body attaches to a strong program of Jewish education states: "The work of the Council of Jewish Cultural Agencies will, I trust, be a parallel development to our increased recognition of the needs of Jewish Education, of our communal responsibility to provide better schools and better teachers — to bring to Jewish education the same imagination, depth of dedication and the same quality of leadership as we have brought to all other Federation responsibilities."

CONTROVERSY OVER SABBATH FLIGHT

JERUSALEM (JCNS) — The announcement by Alitalia, the Italian Airline, that from Saturday it will be running an extra flight to and from Lydda on Saturdays has caused angry opposition from religious circles which allege that this is a breach of the "status quo" as far as working on the Sabbath is concerned.

Mr. Ben Aharon, the Minister of Transport said in reply to a question from Mr. S. Lorenz (Agudah) in the Knesset that the religious parties should either say explicitly that Israel should give up her share of international transport and communications or find some dispensation in Jewish law which would permit the State to violate the sanctity of the Sabbath. But in any case, Mr. Ben Aharon insisted, other planes already used Lydda as a stop-over on Saturdays, and the only novelty about Alitalia's flight was that Lydda was its final destination.

The Orthodox camp is split over this issue. Some Orthodox newspapers have refused to take Alitalia's advertisements about the new flight, others have accepted them. One paper, "Hakol" (Agudist), has stated in an editorial that it saw nothing wrong in having an "airborne shabbos goy."

The Chief Rabbinate Council — which is legally defunct — censured the Ministry's decision to permit the flight. It has urged the Government to prevent the profanation of the Sabbath.

EICHMANN CASE

TEL AVIV (JCNS) — Dr. Servatius had his "first" private meeting with Adolf Eichmann. The German lawyer said afterwards that he was satisfied with the arrangements.

The meeting took place somewhere in Haifa in a specially-designed room. Lawyer and client were divided by a bullet-proof glass screen and talked with the aid of microphones and headphones.

Eichmann was told in his Haifa prison the details of the charges he will face.

Meanwhile, it was learned that Dr. Servatius has asked the Israeli Ministry of Justice for guarantees of safe conduct for former Nazis whom he wishes to call as defence witnesses.

MONTREAL FOLK SINGER AT SHAAREI SHOMAYIM

On Tuesday, February 14th, Shaarei Shomayim Sisterhood will be hostess to the Sisterhoods of Burnside, Clanton Park, Shaarei Tefillah and Viewmount. They will participate in the celebration of Jewish Music Month.

Rabbi Dr. Walter S. Wurzburger will be the speaker. Guest artist will be Miriam Ben-Ezra who in private life is the wife of Rabbi Denburg of Montreal.

Although a native of New York, Miriam Ben-Ezra has been reared in an atmosphere of Israeli culture since birth. Her songs consist of the rich folklore inspired by every-day life and she is able to introduce the true spirit of Israel to her audiences.

MIRIAM BEN-EZRA

PIONEER WOMEN OF TORONTO TO OBSERVE 35th ANNIVERSARY

The Pioneer Women's Organization of Toronto will celebrate its 35th anniversary at the Annual Donor's Dinner, on Tuesday, February 14, in the Canadian Room of the Royal York Hotel.

Members have invited their husbands and friends to share in this celebration.

On the interesting program will be the colorful Aviv Theatre of Dance and Song; featuring Aron Cohen and Frances Alenkoff. The Aviv Dancers have performed their exciting Israeli dances throughout the U.S.A. and Mexico.

Dr. Judd L. Teller, Information Director of the Jewish Agency and well known writer and lecturer will speak on Israel and the Middle East.

An anniversary ceremony will honour the original founders of the Pioneer Women.

Convenors are Mrs. Abe Matenko; Mrs. Max Marmer; Mrs. Jack Nightingale; and Mrs. George Steinhouse.

Chairman will be Ruth Wolfish, Council Chairman.

Dr. JUDD TELLER

FRANCES AND ARON COHEN

ELIEZER ADARAM

After The Lavon Ouster

BEN GURION TO RETURN TO PREMIER OFFICE

NEW TURN

Jerusalem, (CJN) — A vote of Mapai has cleared the way for Ben Gurion's return to power, but the Lavon affair erupted in violence as the ruling Mapai party's Central Committee voted to remove Pinhas Lavon from his post as secretary general of Israel's general labor federation.

The police said Saturday night that nine persons had been arrested and later released on bail. Although one person appeared to have been injured, the police reported no one had been hurt.

VOTE CLOSE

The Central Committee meeting resolved, 159 to 96, that Mr. Lavon should no longer represent the party in Histadrut, the powerful labor federation, because of the things he had said of the army and of some Mapai personages in clearing himself of blame for a disastrous security adventure in 1954, when he was Defense Minister.

(The undisclosed adventure, which led to Mr. Lavon's resignation from the defense post in February, 1955, is believed to have been an espionage operations in Cairo that the Egyptians exposed.)

Because David Ben-Gurion had given the party an ultimatum to get Mr. Lavon out of the Histadrut post, the vote was considered surprisingly close.

MORAL DEFEAT

Although many observers considered the vote a resounding moral defeat for Mr. Ben-Gurion, party leaders said tonight that another meeting would probably be called within a few days to reassure him that the Lavon affair was a matter apart from his leadership of the party and to call on him to resume his place at the head of the party and the Government.

Mr. Ben-Gurion resigned last Tuesday as Premier because of his opposition to a Cabinet ruling that exonerated Mr. Lavon in the 1954 adventure. Mr. Ben-Gurion succeeded Mr. Lavon as Defense Minister in 1955 before becoming Premier later that year.

FIVE MEMBERS ABSTAIN

Five persons were said to have abstained at the Mapai meeting, which was held in the Othel Theatre and was closed to the public. Forty-one party members who were eligible to participate did not attend.

Nathan Rotenstreich, dean of the faculty of humanities at Hebrew University and the leading ideologist of the Mapai party, to which both Mr. Ben-Gurion and Mr. Lavon belong, supported Lavon.

When Mr. Sharett left the theatre, the crowd that began to gather again shouted: "We want you as Premier!"

"You aren't the ones to decide," Mr. Sharett replied.

The crowd hooted Shimon Peres, Deputy Minister of Defense under Mr. Ben-Gurion, and Moshe Dayan, Minister of Agriculture. Both are close to Mr. Ben-Gurion and both came under attack by Mr. Lavon during the investigations of the affair.

In a brief statement, Mr. Lavon said he regarded the Central Committee vote as a "moral victory" when one took into account "the pressure of the Premier's resignation and the sharp turn by the Finance Minister."

He said he would call a meeting of the Histadrut executive.

WEINSTEIN HONOURED

Recently Mr. Samuel Weinstein, founder and president of the Power Stores Limited, was selected by the Food Industry Association of Canada as their Man of the Year. He was presented with the Association's traditional award bestowed once a year, the "Knight of the Golden Pencil".

This is the first time that a member of the Jewish faith has been selected for this honour. The occasion was marked by a number of friends and associates of Mr. Weinstein planting a Grove of 1,000 Trees in the Canada Forest in his honour in Israel.

MOROCCO ARAB LEADER PROTESTS PERSECUTION

ALGIERS (W.J.A.)) — In an interview with the Algerian Jewish monthly 'Information Juive' Morocco's former Prime Minister Abdallah Ibrahim, now the leader of the major opposition party, the National Union of Popular Forces, suggested that a solution to the suspension of mail communication between Morocco and Israel might be possible through the good offices of the International Red Cross and the Moroccan Red Crescent. He said that the suspension had been undertaken by Morocco as a member of the Arab Postal Union whose rules Morocco must respect.

Mr. Ibrahim also said that he saw no ready solution for the complex situation between Israel and the Arab States and that he was under no illusion about the general political situation. While he agreed that every Moroccan should be entitled to a passport, he described illegal mass emigration from Morocco as intolerable.

JEWS CONSIDERED AS ARABS

MOROCCO (JCNS) — The official Moroccan argument that all Jews here are first and last Moroccan citizens was carried to a curious conclusion in an editorial published in the pro-Government weekly, "Al Istiqlal."

The paper declared that "at all times Morocco has considered and still considers Moroccan Jews as compatriots with full rights, and for this reason they are considered like the rest of the population as Arabs."

The policy pursued by the Government was "to protect the majority of Moroccan Jews . . . against a minority of Jews who for their own benefit encourage them to work for a foreign country (Israel) . . ."

"Al Istiqlal" advised the Government to end the activities "of certain organizations which receive aid and orientation from Israel."

"JEWS TORTURED", AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE CHARGES

New York, (JCNS) A campaign of brutality on the part of Moroccan police against Jews, ranging "from wholesale arrests to torture", was touched off by Egyptian propagandists during President Nasser's recent visit to Casablanca, and has continued until now, according to a report submitted last week-end to the Executive Board of the American Jewish Committee.

The Board also heard a report on Arab anti-Jewish activities, which declared that the United Arab Republic and the Arab League were intensifying anti-Jewish propaganda on an international scale, "in a campaign unmatched since Nazi times".

"A CRIME" AGAINST ARABS - CAIRO RADIO

LONDON (JCNS) — "A crime against the Arabs," was the official Egyptian description of the shipment announced of centurion British tanks to Israel.

Cairo Radio stated in its broadcast early today: "Britain was mainly responsible for the creation of Israel and now she commits another crime against the Arabs so soon after relations between the United Arab Republic and herself have been raised to ambassadorial level."

Press reports referred to Britain as, among other things, 'a brazen hussy."

FAILURE OF JEWISH MISSION TO MOSCOW

Brumel Fails To Convince Russians

PARIS (JCNS)—Back to Paris from his second trip to Moscow, where he met Mrs. Furtseva, the Soviet Minister of Culture, M. André Blumel told the JCNS correspondent here that after confering for over one and a half hours with Mrs. Furtseva on the subject of Yiddish culture in the USSR, he was not "particularly optimistic" on the result of this "first contact."

The only "positive" point is that he will be writing, whenever he deems it necessary, to Mrs. Furtseva, who assured him that she would reply to him.

When he met the Soviet Minister, said M. Blumel, Mrs. Furtseva had on her desk volumes of Yiddish literature, recently published in Moscow, which she showed to him proudly. M. Blumel explained at length that these efforts were not considered sufficient, and that much more was needed before World Jewish opinion could be convinced that Russian Jews had full cultural liberties in the Soviet Union.

Mrs. Furtseva replied that "so many calumnies were propagated abroad, that the Soviet Government was no more taking the trouble to deny them."

She questioned the French Zionist leader about his conception of cultural freedom, explained that attitude adopted towards Soviet Jewry could not be separated from the general policy applied to other nationalities and minorities in general. She, however, took notes while promised to "see what she can do."

M. Blumel also had talks with responsible members of the Religious Affairs Committee on the subject of anti-Jewish articles appearing in the Soviet Press. They also promised they would "make enquiries" to see whether anti-religious propaganda was taking an antisemitic flavour," as M. Blumel suggested it was.

ARCHBISHOP TO PRESIDE COUNCIL OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS

LONDON (JCNS) — The Archbishop of York, Dr. Ramsay, who has already shown an active interest in the work of the Council of Christians and Jews, is to assume its joint Presidency — a position now held by the present Archbishop of Canterbury — when he succeeds Dr. Fisher later this year.

This was announced at the annual meeting of the Council which took place in the Hoare Memorial Hall, Church House, London.

Paying tribute to Dr. Fisher for his 17 years of leadership, Mr. Edmund de Rothschild, joint Treasurer of the Council, thanked him on behalf of Anglo-Jewry for his work via the Council in the cause of racial and religious tolerance.

Responding, the Archbishop said that the uniting of all peoples in harmony was the most difficult and most necessary of all the tasks given by God to mankind.

The Chief Rabbi was again elected a joint President.

Among the speakers were the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Bernard Waley-Cohen, and Sir Ifor Evans, Provost of University College, London.

"AVOID MIXED MARRIAGES"

SYDNEY. (JCNS) A leading Australian Roman Catholic, the Rev. Dr. L. Rumble warned Jewish teenagers of mixed marriages in an article published in a magazine issued by the Council of Jewish Women in Sydney.

Mixed marriages of any kind, he says, are always a risk. Dr. Rumble explains that both the Jewish and Catholic religions, more than any others, are opposed to marriages between persons not sharing the same faith.

"The ancient law condemming such marriages, 'Neither shalt thou take of their daughters a wife for thy son' (Exod. XXXiv, 16), has never been a dead letter in Jewish thinking," he says, "and the normal attitude of the Catholic Church is the same."

Dr. Rumble continues: "This stand is not prompted by the spirit of intolerance; it is due to deep interest in the spiritual and temporal welfare of those involved."

Cairo to Release Briton As Thanks to Toynbee

CAIRO — James Zarb, a Briton sentenced in 1956 to ten years' imprisonment for espionage, will be released on orders of President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

The action was said to be in appreciation for remarks made by Dr. Arnold Toynbee, the British historian, during a debate in Montreal with Yaacov Herzog, Israel's Ambassador to Canada.

The Cairo press has given considerable display to what it said was Dr. Toynbee's assertion that "Israel implicated itself in the flight and massacre of Palestine Arabs."

ORDER OF MERIT FOR WRITER

LONDON (JCNS) — The Polish Government has awarded the Order of Merit to Horacy Safrin, a Jewish writer and actor, for his contributions to Polish-Jewish culture. Mr. Safrin is celebrating the 40th anniversary of his career as a writer and stage producer, as well as a translator of the works of Shakespeare and other authors.

Among the best known of the theatrical productions which gained him much fame in Poland were "The Dybbuk," "The Golem," and E.L. Peretz's "On the Old Market Place." In the last few years Safrin has been busy translating some of the Yiddish classics into Polish.

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they declare that the person responsible for the error was punished after ho had been forced to publish an apology.

The writers of the letter maintain that although there is an anti-religious campaign, believers, whether Jews or Moslems, have "all possibilities to carry on their religion in the traditional way". It appears that the "New York Tribune" has not so far published the letter but it was given much prominence in the Communist Jewish Press in France. The names of the signatories, as well as their professions, are given in full as follows:

Gilboa Davidov,, hero of Socialism and Deputy of the Supreme Soviet of Dagestan; Ghizgil Abshulmov, writer and member of the all-Soviet Union of Writers; Chankuh Gadmilov, machinist and leader of the Communist Workers' Brigade; Hirshon Babavev, doctor of the Buinaksk Hospital (Buinaksk was the place where the "blood libel accusation" was revived in the local newspaper); Mishi (Moshe) Bakchiev, writer and member of the All-Soviet Union of Writers; and Shabati Abramov, Chairman of the local farm collective.

JDC LEADER IN TORONTO

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MENTIONS HEALTH PROBLEMS

"In certain North African countries", he said, "where there are very large numbers of Jews in depressed circumstances, we have never had sufficient money to cope with all the problems from which they suffer — we are forced to concentrate on the children. Some improvements have been made. The dangerous trachoma, an infectious disease causing blindness, has been brought under control so that there are now no blind children under 10 years of age. But ringworm, also a product of the filthy living conditions that burden many Jews, causes baldness in children. I have myself seen 15 year old girls completely bald from this disease. A total of 50,000 children in one country suffer from it."

FUNDS NOT SUFFICIENT

Mr. Jordan appealed to the Toronto community to help provide services for every Jew in the twenty-five countries around the world where JDC assistance is being given. In speaking of Israel, Mr. Jordan said, "We have been called in by the State of Israel to find out why it is so difficult to be rid of the Ma'abarot where thousands of families live a separate existence in filthy inadequate housing conditions.

Of course the main reason is money. I have one confession to make here and it is this — with all the generosity of Jews in the United States, Canada and other nations, in past years, the money we have received is still insufficient to meet all the needs."

DECORATED BY FRENCH

Leader of the 1961 UJA Study Mission to Israel, Marvin J. (Bud) Rothschild, introduced the speaker. He described the work Mr. Jordan has done around the world for JDC since 1941. In Paris, following the war, 600,000 refugees moved into friendly countries under his guidance. For his services to other refugees who found haven in France, Mr. Jordan was named Chevalier of the Legion of Honour by the French Government.

REUVEN BARKATT FOR MOSCOW EMBASSY?

OSLO (JCNS) — According to the Jerusalem correspondents of Norwegian newspapers, Mr. Reuven Barkatt, the Israeli Ambassador to Norway, will soon be transferred to the Israeli Embassy in Moscow.

Owing to Mr. Barkatt's absence in Switzerland, it was impossible to get confirmation of the news. But the Norwegian correspondents in Jerusalem said they were told of the transfer by Mr. Yahil, of the Israeli Foreign Ministry.

MALI REBUFFS ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, (JCNS) — The Republic of Mali has rejected Israel's expressions of "disappointment and surprise" at her support of the anti-Israel resolution passed at the Casablanca conference.

Mr. Mobido Keita, the President of Mali, told Mr. Maurice Fisher, the deputy Director-General of the Israel Foreign Ministry who had specially been sent to get a 'high level explanation" of this action, that he backed the Casablanca resolution but sees "no reason why political statements should affect normal relations with Israel".

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